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## Barre Year in Review 2019



Members of American Legion Post 2 and Auxiliary march to Veteran's Park during the Veterans Day parade in Barre, Nov. 11.

By Ellenor Downer  
Staff Writer

BARRE – With 2019 coming to a close, it is time to look back on events in Barre.

### January

Quabbin alumni musicians came together Sunday, Jan. 6 for the seventh annual concert at Quabbin Regional High School. Sara Emery was only four years out of high school when she participated in the first ever Quabbin Alumni Band back in January of 2012. “I had a blast playing in this year’s group,” said Emery. “Mr. Lewis programmed a challenging and engaging concert and I really enjoyed seeing so many familiar faces after many years.”

Selectmen vice-chair Greg O’Sullivan proposed a time limit on public discussion at board of selectmen meetings. He recommended keeping public discussion to a few minutes especially on matters not on the meeting agenda. He suggested

keeping response times more concise for board members as well.

Near the end of the board of selectmen’s meeting, Jan. 7, member Charlie Chase, announced that he would not seek another term. He said he gave the matter a lot of thought and talked with his family. Chase served a total of 18 years as a selectmen. Selectmen chair Matthew Urban thanked Chase and said he was a mentor. Selectman O’Sullivan said that Chase’s experience had been helpful.

Selectmen approved the charge for the Marijuana Bylaw Advisory committee and made new appointments to the new committee Monday, Jan. 21. Selectmen received nine applicants and decided to appoint all of them – seven as full members and two as alternates. Alternates would only have voting privileges to maintain a quorum that is four members.

Although a blanket of white covered the area the weekend of Jan. 19 and 20, numerous traces of purple could be seen throughout Barre and



The Barre Farmers’ Market sets up every Saturday on the Barre Common, May through October.

local communities in support of the annual “Go Purple for Prevention” initiative, happening the week of Jan. 20 through Jan. 26.

It was a night of coming together in celebration as the Friends of The Stone Church welcomed over 80 guests to their Belfry Ball Saturday, Jan. 26. For the fourth year in a row, the annual dinner and silent auction, one of the major yearly fundraisers for the FOSC, has become a

night for many to look forward to in January.

### February

Hardwick senior participation numbers increased since the towns of Barre and Hardwick first entered into a regional agreement to share senior center services. Hardwick selectmen met with Barre selectmen and Eileen Clarkson, Barre Senior Center director, to discuss a new agreement for the upcoming



This goat looks out at the fairgrounds at the annual 4-H Fair held at Felton Field in Barre this past weekend. The owner, Caty, 15, sits next to her goats.

ing fiscal years Feb. 3. Hardwick selectmen said that the seniors from their town liked going to the Barre Senior Center. Hardwick provided transportation by van to the Barre center Monday through Friday. The two towns entered into an agreement several years ago.

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## Senior housing needs discussed

By Karen A. Lewis  
Correspondent

BROOKFIELD – Over 35 people attended last Thursday night’s meeting regarding the status of senior housing in the local Quabog and Quabbin area.

Held at the Brookfield Congregational Church and led by member Clarence Snyder, the informative session was a follow up to a recent meeting in October and part of the ongoing initiative to raise awareness of the expected rise in the 65-year-old and older population and the ability for them to live comfortably in the local communities.

The initiative actually began when the Spirit Lifters, an outreach group from the Brookfield Congregational Church that visits the local senior population during the year and specifically on holidays, saw the dire need for local senior housing.

As well-known town residents like Rota Josephson and others had to move away to find places to live that would better service their needs, Snyder along with members of the community began to put their heads together to come up with alternatives to relocating.

“The church reached out to Spencer senior housing to see how they did things,” Snyder said. “Since September we wrote a grant and for our October meeting, we talked about the CMRPC (Central Massachusetts Regional Planning

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## Food pantry lists volunteer opportunities

BARRE – The Barre Food Pantry at the Barre Congregational Church, 30 Park St., on the Common, welcomes volunteers Tuesday, Jan. 7 between 6:30-8:30 p.m. Volunteers are needed to help set up the room and sort, date and pre-bag donated groceries for free distribution the next day. On Wednesday, Jan. 8 the Barre Food Pantry welcomes volunteers from 9:30 a.m. to noon to help staff the tables, help clients “shop” the food bank offerings and help carry groceries to clients’ cars. They do not need empty egg cartons for now.

Community Service hours can be provided for Quabbin Regional High School students that come to help. For more information, people may call Sonja at 978-355-6921 or Chuck at 978-355-6463.

## Pathfinder culinary students bake up a landmark

Culinary students win big in state-wide contest

By Kimberly Palmucci  
Correspondent

PALMER – Several culinary students from Pathfinder Regional Vocational Technical High School were recently recognized as the first-place winners of a statewide gingerbread house building contest. The students modeled their entry in the likeness of the historic Stone House Museum in Belchertown.

“It was fantastic. I love it when the kids get very excited over a project,” said Pathfinder Baking Instructor Chef Laura Rogers.

The contest was held this year in an effort to promote and highlight the importance of vocational educational programs across the state. The competition was a part of the governor’s annual Holiday Tree Lighting and Open House earlier this month, and was the first of its kind in the commonwealth.

Rogers said the students picked The Stone House, a historical museum in Belchertown, because they felt it visually represented their section of the commonwealth.

Three seniors participated in the competition, including Maddison Carron, Saebra Delaney, and Kiley



Pathfinder Culinary Program Seniors Saebra Delaney, Kiley Maxfield, and Madison Caron show-case their gingerbread replica of the Stone House Museum in Belchertown.

Maxfield. Rogers said this was the first year the students participated in the competition. She added it took several weeks for the students to plan and complete the entire

project.

“It took the kids about three days just to put the chocolate edible stones on the house, another day to do the roof—it was a two-week

project,” she said, adding students wanted to do more, but two snow days inhibited their plans. “They came up with an idea to airbrush the roof black; they were passionate

about it. They dusted sugar on it to make it look like snow, and they were working on making a fence but ran out of time.”

The students also made sugar cookies in the shape of Massachusetts and placed a P for Pathfinder over Western Massachusetts, and round sugar cookies with a P to represent their school.

Built originally in 1827 by Jonathan Dwight as a wedding gift to his daughter Julia Diantha, The Stone House remained in the Dwight-Diantha family for nearly a century. In 1903 the building became a museum supported by the Belchertown Historical Society and in 1924 an annex for the building was constructed with aid from Henry Ford to house carriages and horse-drawn vehicles. The museum continues to serve as an important landmark for Belchertown to this day, housing numerous documents and archives as well as collections of historic furniture and china from the 1700s onwards.

Pathfinder’s gingerbread house was a huge hit at the State House, according to a statement from the Massachusetts Association of Vocational Administrators. It will be on display there for the season. The gingerbread house was also selected as the contest’s Most Creative entry.



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Round Town

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Q-Drug to meet

Quabbin Drug Response Unifying Group (Q-DRUG) will be meeting Thursday, Jan. 2, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. at the Barre Senior Center, 557 South Barre Road. All are welcome to attend. Q-Drug will be discussing a major grant application that it is hoping to submit in 2020, to support prevention education in the Quabbin Regional area. This grant will require a great deal of support and leadership from the community. The group plans to discuss plans for January, the traditional Purple for Prevention time frame, as well as March, the New Purple for Prevention time.

Barre Food Pantry

People in need of food assistance are welcome to the Barre Food Pantry at the Barre Congregational Church, 30 Park St., on the Common on Wednesday, Jan. 8 from 10 a.m. to noon for free monthly distribution of fresh, frozen and canned food made available through local and regional donations and state and federal government programs. The Barre Food Pantry would like to encourage clients to bring their reusable grocery tote bags with them when they come to pick up food at distribution, but they do not need empty egg cartons for now. For additional information, people may call Sonja at 978-355-6921 or Chuck at 978-355-6463.

Wonderfilled Wednesdays

Listening Wellness Center is currently accepting registrations for the 2020 Quabbin District early release days. Dates include: Jan. 15, 29, Feb. 12, March 18, April 1 and June 10. Parents may sign up their children for one, tow or all of the remaining sessions. To register and for more information, they may call the office at 978-355-3501.

Barre Food Pantry offers monthly distribution to clients

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EQLT to hold New Year’s Day hike

HARDWICK – East Quabbin Land Trust (EQLT), 120 Ridge Road, will hold a New Year’s Day walk/ski. Participants should meet at noon Wednesday, Jan. 1, 2020 at the Mass. Central Rail Trail, 1700 Hardwick Road, New Braintree.

EQLT will toast Ed Yaglou, a consummate supporter of the Mass Central Rail Trail who passed away Dec. 8. People are invited to bring a story about Ed to share.

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St. Aloysius School holds Christmas pageant



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St. Aloysius Catholic School in Gilbertville held its Christmas Pageant. Students sang and presented musical acts that culminated with the Nativity play.

North Brookfield

North Brookfield seeks potential clients for housing rehab program

NORTH BROOKFIELD – The town of North Brookfield is seeking potential clients to renew its housing rehabilitation assistance program. It is currently working with the Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission to seek fiscal year 2020 Community Development Block Grant funds to continue and expand the program.

“As is the case for this year’s grant, the housing rehab program in North Brookfield looks to include eligible clients throughout the town instead of in the more traditionally residential core of the town center next year” said Ian McElwee, of the CMRPC, who is working with North Brookfield officials on the grant application. “Going forward we look forward to seeing a more diverse range of housing types and clients who would like to remain in their homes for the next ten to fifteen years and see their houses refurbished and remain up to code and livable for the future.”

Interested residents are encouraged to sign-up for the program now to secure their place on the program’s client list. The program, which funds repairs for homeowners meeting federal low-to-moderate income guidelines, operated in North Brookfield from 2013 to

2016 using funds from previous Community Development Block Grants and now again in 2019-2020. Approximately eight homes were refurbished during the previous years, and the town looks to rehab another 12 units using the existing funds.

“The 2020 program we’re developing now could aid a larger number of homes assuming local need can be documented,” said Mr. McElwee.

Eligible activities under the program focus on code-related repairs and other types of work needed to make homes safe and livable. Activities can include weatherization, handicapped-access improvements, roof replacement, heating and septic systems, window replacement, new paint and siding, electrical and plumbing upgrades, structural repairs and many other types of work. Assistance through the program is generally capped at \$35,000 per unit.

Homeowners who meet federal income guidelines are eligible to participate. The current limit for a single-person household is \$52,850 in annual income. For a four-person household, the maximum income is \$75,450. Financial assistance is in the form of a deferred-payment loan. Repayment of the loan is only required if the home is sold

during the 15-year loan period. Investor-owned homes can also be eligible based on tenants’ income and a required owner contribution. Clients also do not need to worry about their family needing to pay back the remainder of the loan should the client pass away within the 15 years as inheritance alone does not trigger repayment.

The housing rehabilitation program currently has a waiting list of 35 potential clients. Residents who are interested in potentially participating should complete and submit an assistance form by the end of January to be added to the list. The form is available on the town’s website at [www.northbrookfield.net/home/news/housing-rehabilitation-assistance-application](http://www.northbrookfield.net/home/news/housing-rehabilitation-assistance-application) and at the North Brookfield Senior Center at 29 Forest St.

A public hearing to discuss the CDBG application is currently set for Feb. 4 during the selectmen’s meeting. Results of the grant application, which are due March 6, are expected to be announced in July.

Questions about the housing rehabilitation program or other CDBG-funded projects can be directed to Ian McElwee, Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission, at 508-459-3331.

Hubbardston

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2020 census to be mailed in January

The 2020 Federal Census will be mailed to each Hubbardston household in January 2020. Failure to respond to the census two consecutive years shall result in removal from voter registration rolls.

Frozen assets reminder

Frozen assets returns for 2020. People may take five guesses on when the outhouse will fall through the ice for a \$20 donation. All donations will help fund future special event. An outhouse will be located on Williamsville Road Country Hen pond starting in February. All forms must be submitted by Feb. 1. Forms must be found at the Country Trail, Hubb Town Diner, Giacomos Gourmet and town offices. The closest guess wins a \$300 gift card, second place, \$150 gift card, third place a \$75 gift card and fourth place one flat of eggs for eight weeks courtesy of Country Hen. People may contact [hubbardston250@gmail.com](mailto:hubbardston250@gmail.com) for more information.

Dog license reminder

Dog licenses must be renewed each year before April 1 to avoid late fines. Fees may be paid online or in person at the town clerks office. License fee is \$15 for a male or female and \$10 for a neutered male or spayed female. Town clerk office hours are Monday noon-6 p.m., Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and closed Friday. Any resident, who will be 70 years or over as of March 31, shall pay no fee to license their dog. Ownership of five or more dogs requires special permit per Hubbardston Zoning Bylaws, article 4.2. People should contact the planning board at 978-928-1400, extension 210 for the special permit.

Senior center events

The Hubbardston Senior Center, 7A Main St., weekly schedule includes: Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday - Wii Bowling at 8 a.m.; Monday - Friday coffee hour at 8 a.m.; Tuesday - Swinging Singing Seniors at 1:30 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday - walking club at 8:30 a.m., Tuesday and Thursday - Senior Center meals by MOC at 11:45 a.m., Wednesday - pitch (second and fourth Wednesdays each month) at 1:30 p.m., Thursday - cribbage (second and fourth Thursdays each month) at 1:30 p.m., Friday - craft corner (third Friday each month) at 10 a.m., Friday - cribbage at 1:30 p.m. and Friday evenings - pitch (first and third Fridays each month) at 6:30 p.m. Free bread/baked goods are available at the senior center Wednesday and Thursday at 10 a.m. Price Chopper Supermarket in Gardner donates them. Free one dozen Country Hen eggs for residents 60 and over are available every week on Thursdays at 10 a.m. at the senior center. For more information, people may call 978-928-1400, extension 211. A certified SHINE Medicare counselor is available at the senior center at 978-928-1400, extension 211 by appointment.

Barre Dining Center

BARRE — Elder Services of Worcester Area Nutrition Program welcomes guests to dine at the Barre Senior Center, 557 South Barre Rd. The following meals will be served for the week of Dec. 30.

Volunteers are needed at the Barre dining site. Volunteers are needed for Meals on Wheels (mileage reimbursement) and in the kitchen. People should contact 978-355-5027.

MON. – Chicken picatta, wild rice, roasted broccoli, lemon pudding, diet = sugar free tapioca pudding, pumpernickel bread

TUES. – Meatballs, onion gravy, bowtie pasta, country blend vegetables, pineapple, biscuit

WED. – New Year’s Day

No meal served

THURS. – BBQ chicken, mashed potatoes, roasted vegetables, fresh fruit, marble rye bread

FRI. – Macaroni and cheese, stewed tomatoes, green beans, cinnamon pears, Italian bread

\*Diabetic friendly dessert

\*\*Higher sodium entree

Meal includes milk and margarine. Menus are subject to change. All meals are served at about 11:45 a.m. each weekday. Reservations should be made the day before by calling 978-355-5027 before 10:30 a.m. The donation of \$2.50 per meal helps keep the program running.

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## PUBLIC MEETINGS

### BARRE

Barre Housing Authority – Jan. 2, 2020 at 3 p.m.  
Water Commission – Jan. 2, 2020 at 7 p.m.  
Board of Selectmen – Jan. 6, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.  
Historical Commission – Jan. 6, 2020 at 7 p.m.  
Board of Assessors – Jan. 7, 2020 at 6 p.m.  
250th Anniversary Committee – Jan. 7, 2020 at 6 p.m.  
Felton Field Commission – Jan. 7, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.  
Planning Board – Jan. 7, 2020 and Jan. 21, 2020 at 7 p.m.  
QRSD Collective Bargaining Subcommittee – Jan. 8 at 10 a.m.  
Library Trustees – Jan. 8, 2020 at 7 p.m.  
Zoning Board of Appeals – Jan. 9, 2020 at 7 p.m.  
Board of Health – Jan. 13, 2020 at 5 p.m.  
DPW Commission – Jan. 13, 2020 at 7 p.m.  
Sewer Commission – Jan. 16, 2020 at 4:30 p.m.  
Council on Aging – Feb. 5, 2020 at 1 p.m.  
Cable Advisory Committee – Feb. 11, 2020 at 7 p.m.

### HARDWICK

Paige Library Trustees – Jan. 2, 2020 at 7 p.m.  
Recycling Commission – Jan. 7, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.  
Board of Assessors – Jan. 8, 2020 at 5 p.m.  
Gilbertville Public Library – Jan. 10, 2020 at 4 p.m.  
Gilbertville-Wheelwright Sewer Commissioners – Jan. 13, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.  
Council on Aging – Jan. 15, 2020 at 10 a.m.  
Gilbertville Water District – Jan. 21, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.  
Conservation Commission – Jan. 21, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.

### HUBBARDSTON

Council on Aging – Dec. 26 at 10:30 a.m.  
Open Space Committee – Dec. 31 and Jan. 28, 2020 at 7 p.m.  
Library Trustees – Jan. 2, 2020 and Jan. 9, 2020 at 7 p.m.  
Historical Commission – Jan. 4, 2020 at 10 a.m.  
Board of Selectmen – Jan. 6, 2020 and Jan. 27, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.  
Conservation Commission – Jan. 7, 2020 at 7 p.m.  
Planning Board – Jan. 15, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.  
Town Center Committee – Jan. 16, 2020 at 7 p.m.

### NEW BRAINTREE

Library Trustees – Dec. 31 at 6 p.m.

### OAKHAM

Board of Selectmen – Dec. 30 at 7 p.m.

### PETERSHAM

Planning Board – Dec. 26 at 7 p.m.  
Board of Health – Jan. 2, 2020 and Jan. 16 at 7 p.m.  
Open Space and Recreation Committee – Jan. 7, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.  
Conservation Commission – Jan. 7, 2020 at 7:30 p.m.  
Cemetery Commission – Jan. 9, 2020 at 7 p.m.  
Council on Aging – Jan. 13 at 10 a.m.  
Petersham Historic District – Jan. 16, 2020 at 7 p.m.

### RUTLAND

Ad Hoc By-Law Committee – Jan. 7, 2020, Jan. 14, Jan. 21 and Jan. 28 at 12:45 p.m.

## Trout used as teaching tool

AP biology, HVAC students benefit

By Eileen Kennedy  
Staff writer

PALMER – Pathfinder Regional Vocational Technical High School students are going to be overseeing the birth and early lives of about 200 brown trout as they hatch from eggs to young fish, before releasing them in the Swift River this spring.

But unlike the nearly 70 other schools involved in the program, at Pathfinder it is also an opportunity to have students design and build an aquarium tank for the eggs and subsequently the young fish, to thrive before being released into the Swift River.

Teaching with Trout, run by MassWildlife, provides trout eggs to schools across the state so students can be connected to their local environment, learn about water quality and habitat health, and be introduced to conservation concepts as they relate to local aquatic resources.

HVAC and refrigeration instructor Mariusz Zielinski said it has been a two-year project, first starting out as a tank for shiners, with which students could use to fish. But once he became aware of Teaching with Trout, the project morphed into a trout aquarium. A full day of professional development was necessary for all teachers in the program, he said, where he learned about how to care for the fish.

The students appeared to enjoy their work. “They loved this, are you kidding? It was a chance to be out of the classroom and doing hands-on work,” said HVAC instructor Christopher Garrow, when asked how students received the program. “The end result was pretty impressive, taking a pile of nothing and making it into this.”

The used recycled materials, such as an old hot water heater tank, and other parts crafted from supplies, made up the bulk of the aquarium set-up, although the air and water pumps as well as the air stone bubble had to be purchased.

“It’s interesting because it’s



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**Roger Reed Hatchery Manager Daniel Marchant brought the 200 trout eggs from the Palmer facility to Pathfinder Regional Vocational Technical High School as part of the Teaching with Trout program.**

a fish tank, and we used recycled materials,” said student Kris Underwood. “It’s a project we got to interact with as well.”

Student Chase Wegiel said it was a good experience because different knowledge was needed to make it, including plumbing, refrigeration and HVAC skills. Student Devin Livernois said he enjoyed it because students got to use larger PVC piping and it was fun putting it all together.

Among the challenges solved was a leak that led to a redesign, which was a good experience for the students because they had to come with another option before it would work properly, Zielinski said.

The tank’s temperature must stay in the mid-50s, so it will mimic the Swift River’s temperatures, which range in the 50s year round since its water comes from the bottom of the Quabbin Reservoir. So students designed not just the tank but the wiring and an automatic thermostat that heats or cools the water as necessary.

Roger Reed Hatchery Manager Daniel Marchant brought the 200 trout eggs from

the Palmer facility in a beverage cooler and eased them out of a Ziploc sandwich bag onto a rack in the tank, where they will subsequently hatch. Only about 50 percent of the eggs will survive, he said, and those that do will be between two and three inches by April.

The tank is off in a nook in the HVAC workroom, so teachers were concerned it might be too dark for the fish, but Marchant said the trout like subdued lighting and will often hide in water beneath stream overhangs.

Biology teacher Erin Weldy said her AP biology students and the HVAC students will take turns caring for the fish and recording data about them, said Garrow.

In the spring, students will travel to release the fish in the Swift River, and conduct additional water testing of the river while they’re there, said Garrow. Students also took a field trip to the hatchery before receiving the fish.

The school also has to obtain a state permit to possess eggs and young fish.



**Roger Reed Hatchery Manager Daniel Marchant tells Pathfinder students and staff how to care for the trout eggs and describes how they will grow in the coming months.**



**Pathfinder HVAC and refrigeration instructor Mariusz Zielinski, left, Roger Reed Hatchery Manager Daniel Marchant, center, and HVAC instructor Christopher Garrow talk about the project and the fish.**

## C4R-2019 had a good year, support 2020

The year 2019 was another productive year for C4R. The organization finished its first trail grant, completed Quaboag and Chicopee River Blue Trails, sampled 16 river sites for bacteria, received an award for a Ware River Blue Trail grant and helped on invasive water chestnut removal at Oxford Marsh.

In 2020, C4R will hold opening day paddles on its first two trails, begin work on the Ware River trail, continue sampling and invasive plant projects and hopefully expand its efforts. People may make an end of year gift to C4R by donating online at <https://c4rivers.org/membership-join-c4r/> or mailing a check to P.O. Box 126, Three Rivers, MA 01080.

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## Sunday School held annual pageant

The Oakham Congregational Church Sunday School and Youth Fellowship held its annual Christmas pageant Sunday, Dec. 22 during the 10 a.m. Sunday worship service. The adult choir along with the children’s choir sang “See the Little Baby” by Donald Swift. The Sinclair family lighted the Advent wreath and placed the symbol of the baby Jesus on the Advent banner.

### Church news

There will be no Sunday School classes and Youth Fellowship Sunday, Dec. 29 and family Sunday, Jan. 5. Sunday School and Youth Fellowship will resume Sunday, Jan. 12.

## OSV offers Christmas by Candlelight Dec. 27 to 29

STURBRIDGE – Over 3,500 wishes were made at the Christmas Wish Bridge at Old Sturbridge Village (OSV) during the first weekend of its popular Christmas by Candlelight event. A new feature this year, the Wish Bridge is a part of OSV’s Christmas Tree Trail - 50 sparkling trees set along a quiet path that visitors can enjoy to escape the hustle and bustle of the Common and take in a more serene holiday experience. The bridge, found at the end of the Christmas Tree Trail, encourages guests to write out a special wish and place it on one of the nearby trees in hopes that holiday magic will make the wish come true.

Christmas by Candlelight is a holiday tradition at Old Sturbridge Village, celebrating a season of memories and magic while honoring the New England Christmas of the 19th century. Also new to the event this year was a member cookie contest, encouraging village members to submit recipes to be selected and showcased during a cookie sampling in the Parsonage building. For this first-time contest, held in November, the winner was announced as Debbie Dymek. Dymek, a longtime member with OSV, receives services from Massachusetts Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired. She has developed strategies to bake successfully over the years and won for her “Yulelog” cookie recipe this year.

Recently, category winners were announced for the highly anticipated Gingerbread House Contest. Category winners in 2019 are: Adult Professional Winner – Loren Stanard, Adult Non-Professional Winner – Denelle Cooke, Youth Winner - Melody Berreth and Family Winner Culross Family. Voting for “Best in Show” is now open to visitors of Christmas by Candlelight.

Several dates remain for the 2019 Christmas by Candlelight, including dates after Christmas on Dec. 27, 28 and 29 from 3-8 p.m. Visitors are encouraged to purchase tickets now to give as gifts or plan for visiting with family during the holiday to keep the festivities going. Carpooling is recommended, as parking can be limited.

Tickets for Christmas by Candlelight are on sale to the public at \$28 for adults, \$14 for youth (ages 4-17) and free for children ages three and under. For more information about the event or to purchase event tickets, people may visit: <https://www.osv.org/event/cbc/>.

Old Sturbridge Village, first opened to the public in 1946, is one of the country’s oldest and largest living history museums, celebrating life in early New England from 1790-1840. It is the largest living history museum in the Northeast.

Old Sturbridge Village is open year-round, but days and hours vary seasonally. Daily admission is: \$28 for adults, \$26 for seniors, \$14 for College Students, \$14 for children ages 4-17 and children 3 and under are admitted free. Each admission includes free parking. Village Members and Season Pass holders receive free standard daytime admission. For details, people may visit [www.osv.org](http://www.osv.org).

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Opinion

Editorial

Recovery through the Holidays

Ideas for celebrating with sobriety

By Amy Conklin  
Guest columnist

While the holidays are joyful for many people, for others they are not always the most wonderful time of the year. Especially for those in early recovery from alcohol or substance use, it’s important to have a plan for managing stress to avoid the risk of a slip or relapse. Listen to yourself throughout the holiday season and understand that it’s OK to make your own decisions — smart decisions — that reflect your best interest.

An important part of recovery is establishing consistent routines and healthy habits that help you stay safe and manage stressors. During the holidays, it’s important to maintain those routines and habits to feel more confident in your ability to manage the holiday stressors. You know you can do it and you know what works, so take these same practices and apply them now.

Another good way to manage holiday stress is to connect now with people you can count on should you encounter a trigger or a situation that presents the opportunity to make risky or impulsive decisions. Reach out now and let them know that their support and guidance is more important than ever during the holidays.

Knowing that a trusted person is accessible can help you work through another focal point of holiday stress: relationships. You can’t always control who you’ll see or the environment in which you encounter them when you’re invited to a holiday gathering. Stress can be magnified at a family gathering, particularly when it brings together people whose relationships have been strained. Even certain sounds, smells and rituals of family gatherings can trigger painful memories or damaging behaviors.

One way to cope is to ask your host in advance if you can bring along a guest to help you make smart choices and avoid conflict. You can let your host know that you may need to leave earlier than other guests if an awkward situation arises. It’s also OK to say no to an invitation, or not this year, if that’s the best choice for you. You have the right to establish your own boundaries and set your own limits. Your recovery matters more than a party.

That doesn’t mean you need to avoid joyful holiday gatherings altogether. One good alternative is to attend holiday gatherings with trusted friends, members of your sober community, or others who are the “family” that you choose. Recovery is a new way forward, so creating new traditions and ways to celebrate can feel great and help you make progress. Many resources exist right here in our community that anyone can be part of and feel welcomed. Here are three options:

Attend an Alcathon, a series of extended AA meetings that take place on traditional holiday party days and nights. They’re a great way for people in early recovery who may be struggling around the holidays to surround themselves with holiday warmth and peer support. Alcathons often revolve around a community holiday meal and provide additional fellowship and support for people in recovery. To learn more, visit <https://westernmassaa.org>

The Recovery Learning Center offers a variety of events, workshops, trainings, advocacy and leadership councils, a peer support line, three resource centers (Springfield, Greenfield, and Holyoke) and a Peer Respite (Northampton). Importantly, RLC is made up of people (not places). RLC happens wherever and however members of the community choose to connect. To learn more, visit [www.westernmassrlc.org](http://www.westernmassrlc.org)

Martin Luther King Jr. Family Services is a multi-cultural and multi-service agency dedicated to being “Keepers of the Dream.” The organization nurtures and empowers the aspirations of individuals, families and youth to achieve new realities of peace, social and economic justice, self-determination, self-actualization and self-sufficiency. While not specifically connected to sobriety, MLK Family Services welcomes everyone, especially during the holiday season, offering events such as community meals and holiday celebrations. To learn more, visit [www.mlkjrfamilyservices.org](http://www.mlkjrfamilyservices.org)

Holiday stress is a normal experience for most everyone, but with some planning and support it’s possible to bring the stress level down. If you would like to explore options to feel better, start a conversation by calling 844-MHA-WELL.

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In Past Pages

5 years ago (Dec. 25, 2014)

On Wednesday, Dec. 10 at the Harding Allen Estate in Barre, the Central Massachusetts Chiefs of Police Association (CMCOPA) held their monthly meeting. Their December meeting usually has the swearing in of their new executive board and officers. This month, the Executive Board Members were sworn in along with the new President of CMCOPA, Barre Police Chief Erik J. Demetropoulos. Chief Demetropoulos will hold the position for 2015 until December’s meeting and then the changing of the guard will happen again. Chief Demetropoulos stated, “It is an honor to be part of this association and now to be allowed to serve as its President, I’m very proud.”

UMass Dartmouth students took part in a holiday concert at the College of Visual and Performing Arts Recital Hall. The University community was invited to the concert, which included performances by the University Chorus, Chamber Choir, Jazz Ensemble and Percussion Ensemble. Some songs performed by the groups include “O’ Holy Night,” “The Christmas Song” and “Noel.” Local students that took part included: Cassidy Wall of Rutland and Rache Yaeger of Gilbertville.

It is not every day that small-town band is selected, not once but twice, as one of the four top bands in the country. The Quabbin Regional High School Symphonic Winds Ensemble has done just that, and now they are asking for community support to help them make their dreams a reality. “Just listening to these kids play, you would never imagine that you are listening to a high school band,” Robin Bobowiec, mother of one of the band members said. “They have put so much time and effort into the band and they really deserve to go to Washington, D.C.” In May of 2016 the John Phillip Sousa Festival will be taking place at the John F. Kenney Center of Performing Arts in Washington, D.C., and the group was selected as one of four high school bands in the country to attend.

10 years ago (Dec. 31, 2009)

Dawn Orr and Bill Orr of Barre, and Cindy Heine of Hubbardston, were honored by MassWest Enterprises, Inc. of Palmer and Regional Employment Services of the Central/West Regional Office of the Department of Developmental Services. The three were members of a team, which received an award for consistently providing quality services to individuals with developmental disabilities over the last year.

Kelly LaCroix of Hubbardston, a senior graphic communications major at Montachusett Regional Vocational Technical School (Monty Tech), has been selected as recipient of the 2009-2010 Massachusetts Association of School Superintendent’s Certificate

LOOK BACK  
Latin Club - 1982



**Quabbin Regional Junior High School Latin Club officers, left to right, Ann Medura, Kellianne Shea, Philip Molesky, Lori Bullard and Karin Staiti.**

of Academic Excellence Award. Currently ranked second out of 297 students in the Class of 2010, Kelly is a dual enrollment student at Mount Wachusett Community College, Gardner.

The Oakham Congregational Church held their annual Christmas pageant this past Sunday during the worship service. The event was originally scheduled for the Sunday before Christmas, but it got postponed due to the snowy weather. Members of the Youth Fellowship narrated the Christmas story of Jesus’ birth. They included: Cory delaGorgendiere, Morgan Freeman, Tove Freeman, Abby Lajoie, Jake Nahkala, Jeff Nelson, Ben St. Jean and Betsy Turnbull. Sunday School students in costume acted out the Christmas story. Josh Arcikowski was Joseph and Raven Mann, Mary, Gwen Mann and Allison Snyder shared the part of the archangel Gabriel. Mackenzie Carleton, Gavin Majoy, Michaela Valley and Emma Willet were the multitude of angels that visited the shepherds while they tended their flocks of sheep. Bethany Dowd, Ray Duffy, Tessa Foley, Shay McKeen and Sidney St. Jean were shepherds. Zachary Willet played a sheep. The last to visit the baby Jesus were the wise men played by Germaine Duffy, Ehlaura Mann and Kenny Snyder.

25 years ago (Dec. 29, 1994)

Mike Richard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Richard of Hubbardston, a teacher at Gardner High School and a former teacher at Quabbin Regional High School, was inducted into the Basketball Hall of Fame of Gardner High School in a surprise ceremony last Saturday. Richard was inducted for his enthusiasm for athletics, and his research in handling former inductions. He is also a sports writer for The Gardner News and has written articles for the Barre Gazette.

Darlene A. Patterson of Gilbertville has been nationally recognized as an outstanding leader

among college students in the 1995 edition of “Who’s Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges.” Darlene, daughter of Frank and Camille Peterson, is a senior English and music performance major at Clark University. A Quabbin graduate, she is a member of the Clark Scarlet Key, the Clark Opera Theater and Worcester Chorus, and is a senior interviewer as well.

Third-grade students performed “A Grand Christmas” for parents and friends along with teacher Kellee Murphy. Students were: Nicholas Padula, Shannon Lawrence, Shane Francoeur, Ryan Robinson, Nicole Borelli, Jillian Gonyea, Elizabeth Hart, Timothy Richardson, Lisa Wetmore, Meghan Hastings, Christopher Nardone, Caitlin Waters, Jason Chrobak, Lindsay Holmes, Jessie Remillard, Jessie Ury, Dylan Clark, Lisa Balser and Briane Houghton. Many parents helped with costumes and snacks, which was greatly appreciated by the students and their teacher.

38 years ago (Dec. 30, 1981)

Holiday visitors with the Alvin Beaudin’s were their son, Donald, and his wife Mary of Lisbon, N.H. and the Charles Dowling’s and their two daughters, Courtney and Kelly, of Bristol, Ct.

Rodney and Cheryl Dowell of East Street spent the holidays in Gilbertville. Dowell, who is under contract with the Mayflower Movers, has visited 47 states in the past two years. His most frequent visits have been to Florida, Arizona and California.

What could be worse for a youngster than breaking a bone while school is in session? Probably Carrie Lou Downer would say that breaking a bone at the beginning of Christmas vacation is much worse. Carrie Lou has one foot in a cast as the result of a sledding accident.

Guest column

Adventures of Gertrude the Cat

By Ruth Robinson

Dear Folks,

Missy was singing away this morning and I wondered just what was up. Then I heard a thump, thump and the attic door opened and down came Missy carrying a thing called a suitcase. Oh no, she went away and left me the last time for three whole days. Dear me. I wonder how long it will be this time.

And now she is bringing down the hard food feeder. She knows I hate the hard food and often spit it up. Last time the grandchildren came and fed me, but Matt is in New York now and Erin in Boston. Woe is me, who will feed me this time? I guess I will just have to tough it out. I guess her son will have to feed me.

Now she is bringing in a new bucket of seeds for the birdies. I hope she isn’t going for many days. Now, she is cutting up the suet for the suet feeder and using a large knife. While she is busy I am just sitting there looking at that bucket of seeds and they look mighty inviting. I think I will give them a swipe with one paw and see what happens. The seeds flew in the air. Whee, what fun, perhaps two paws will be better. Whoops, the bucket tipped over and the seeds went everywhere. Missy yelled at me and stamped her foot and waved that big knife.

I dusted into the spare bedrooms and skidded on that scatter rug and landed against the wall I didn’t dare peek out for a while. Have a good week folks.

Love,  
Gertrude



THE DAY AFTER  
THANKSGIVING

The gang’s back again  
Still in a festive mood  
Lit pumpkins in the window sill  
Children still waiting for something

Well everyone let’s have a toast  
For a very good night of wine and  
Leftovers from Thanksgiving  
Hey don’t forget the cider  
Oh! Boy turkey “How good it is”  
Get the wine out and we’ll have a drink  
For health and wealth “Good Luck”

Let’s play Bingo a quarter a card  
No, cover all the card, okay  
How about a snack Oh! Are the chestnuts  
Ready pop pop I guess so  
The last game will be in three parts  
Yeah and how about another glass of wine  
And cider  
After all that we had coffee, apple pie  
And another piece of pumpkin pie  
Thanks every one for a fun day

Minnie Isgro

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## Serenity Hill Sampler

by Jane McCauley

Most families holiday activities are over until New Years Day. Here is a nice dessert that I made this Sunday that would be good to take to a pot luck New Year Day lunch.

### EASY PINEAPPLE CHERRY CRISP

20 oz. can of pineapple slices  
21 oz. can of cherry pie filling  
1 stick of butter  
1 package of yellow cake mix  
1 cup of chopped walnuts or pecans

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Layer pineapples slices in a sheet pan and spread cherry filling over the top. Sprinkle cake mix over that

and top with pieces of butter and nuts. Bake for one hour.

### This and That

I remind people to predate their check book so that it reads 2020. This is one of the mistakes most people do wrong at the beginning of a new year.

I hope you all enjoyed the holidays and now it is time to diet. With all the cold weather, I have been spending a lot of time in the sewing room and made several penny rug mat wall hangings, a Valentine one and some coasters.

It is time to get out my watercolor paints and make some cards and pictures. I need to restock the

Christmas cards for next year also. I either watercolor them or make photo cards from the holiday decorations.

My orchids are still in bloom, but there is no sign of sprouting of the amaryllis from last year yet. I didn't start a paper white narcissus this year, but I do have an artificial one that I fool people with. I will get that out once the Christmas decorations are put away. The poinsettia is very pretty still.

Have you made any New Year resolutions? I hope to loose some pounds, but being closed in for the winter it is hard to move around.

Happy New Year

## Guest Column

### In need of a New Year's resolution? Plant a garden with your kids.

I was one of those kids that loved to garden with my parents. Dad had control of the vegetable garden for the most part and mom had the flower border. Pulling weeds, picking flowers, planting seeds, you name it, I loved it. Certainly not every child that spends time in the garden will grow up to be a horticulturist, but chances are they will end up with a wonderful appreciation of the natural world, and learn a bunch of life lessons in the process.

We don't very often consider the by-products of our gardening experiences. Sure, if we are lucky we end up with a pretty yard and some food in our fridge. Many of us will also shed a few pounds after a summer of working in the yard. But besides these tangible rewards, some time spent with Mother Nature will no doubt foster such important "good human being" traits as patience, nurturance and optimism. With these and other rewards in mind, plan now to involve your children in the garden this summer.

Garden activities should be kept simple, especially for younger children. Have them assist you in your garden in age appropriate tasks such as planting seeds and harvesting crops. Small fingers can handle larger seeds more easily than tiny ones, so consider having kids help to plant hills of pumpkins, and rows of peas and beans, since each of these seeds are a manageable

size. For large-seeded flowers varieties, try zinnia, sunflower, nasturtium and calendula. Likewise, plan to grow a few things in the garden that mature quickly, that way the child will remain interested. Radishes and spinach are ready for harvest in only a matter of weeks, whereas red peppers and corn take all summer long to grow. Despite the long wait for potatoes, kids generally love unearthing "buried treasure" at season's end.

When children are a bit older, a theme garden of their own may be all they need to catch the gardening bug. Be creative here and let your imagination run wild with possibilities. If your child loves the color purple, there are a number of purple flowers and even vegetables that can make up his or her garden. Perhaps your child loves pizza. Plant a "pizza" garden in a circular plot with wedges comprised of tomato plants, pepper plants and herbs like basil, oregano and garlic. At harvest time make pizza from scratch, incorporating as many home grown ingredients as possible into the recipe. Consider growing ethnic foods to educate kids about their background, or someone else's.

As a preteen, one of my favor-

ite gardening-related activities involved friendly competition. There are any number of agricultural fairs held in our area that have special categories just for children including the Hardwick Fair and the Ware Grange Fair, both held in August. A blue ribbon here and there, along with a small premium was a nice ending to a season of hard work. Ribbon or not, make a big deal of your child's gardening efforts by placing flowers they grew about the house, or by mentioning they helped to "grow" dinner. Take pictures and devote a page in the family scrapbook to their endeavors.

Regardless of ribbons or scrapbooks, the reward will come in the experience; I hope that you can enjoy some time with your children in the garden in 2020.

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Roberta McQuaid  
Columnist

## In My Backyard by Ellenor Downer

The Massachusetts Audubon Society received a report of a painted bunting at Cold Brook Preserve, Bank St. Bogs in Harwich Sunday, Dec. 8. The male painted bunting has a blue head, red under parts and light green back and wings. In contrast, the female painted bunting is plain with leaf green head, back and wings and lighter green on the chest and belly.

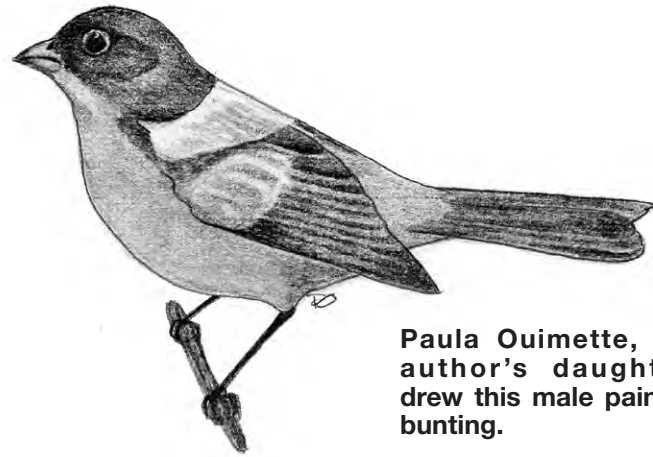
The bunting is about 5 1/2 inches long and a rare visitor to Massachusetts. It inhabits the Gulf States, Florida and Georgia. Years ago, Harold and Jean Dorsey of Barre had a painted bunting at their feeder in late fall. Someone captured the bird and drove it down south as it would not survive the winter.

Painted buntings forage on the ground and in low foliage for grass seeds and insects. They may come to bird feeders for sunflower seeds and other seed mixes. The female lays three to five light blue-white or gray white eggs with brown spots in a nest of stems, grasses and leaves lined with hair, fine grasses and occasionally bits of snakeskin. There song is a musical warble and the call, a short "chit."

### Mass. Audubon sightings

Mass. Audubon Society listed bird sightings at Race Point, Provincetown. Birds included three reed necked grebes, three dovebies, five common murrets, 275 razor-bills, 65 black-legged kittiwakes, eight Iceland gulls, four great shearwaters and 20 snow buntings.

In western Massachusetts,



Paula Ouimette, the author's daughter, drew this male painted bunting.

reports included a cackling goose at the UMass campus pond, two Lapland longspurs at Northampton Airport, greater and lesser scaups at Stockbridge bowl, Laural Lake in Lenox and Turner Falls power canal.

### Bald eagle

I received a call from an Oakham man, who said a passenger in his car spotted a mature, bald eagle in a tree by Long Pond. He was driving along Rte. 122 in Rutland. He said the road was slippery so he kept his eyes on the road.

### Trapped loon

The Loon Preservation Committee in its newsletter said during last week's cold spell, Lovell Lake in Wakefield, N.H. began to skim over with ice. One of the chicks hatched this summer had not yet left for the ocean. While a small amount of open water remained on the lake for the loon to forage, eagles had been seen

in the area. Lake residents were concerned that they might attack and kill the juvenile. Senior biologist John Cooley met up with lake residents to attempt to capture the loon. Cooley donned a thermal suit, attached a tether to the shoreline and pushed a small John boat in front of himself so he could jump into it should the ice begin to give way. He safely made it across the ice to the loon, netted it and returned to shore with the bird. The rescue crew brought the loon to a wildlife rehabilitator for further examination. After the loon received a clear bill of health, Cooley brought it to Odiome State Park, banded it and released it directly into the ocean.

People may report a bird sighting or bird related experience by calling 413-967-3505 or emailing either [mybackyard88@aol.com](mailto:mybackyard88@aol.com) or [edowner@turley.com](mailto:edowner@turley.com).

### Free Red Cross long-sleeved T-shirt for those who come to give Dec. 19-Jan. 5

REGIION - During this season of giving, the American Red Cross urges eligible donors to give the gift of life to help ensure patients don't have to worry about the availability of blood this winter. Blood and platelet donations of all types are needed, especially type O.

Holiday travel and severe winter weather often lead to a decline in blood donations. In Massachusetts, 4 blood drives have already been canceled this month, resulting in 83 uncollected donations. However, a patient's need for lifesaving treatment doesn't take a vacation or stop for nasty weather. Blood and platelets are needed every day for those receiving treatment for cancer and leukemia, accident and burn victims and surgical patients, among others.

As a special thank you for being the lifeline for patients this holiday season, those who come out to give blood or platelets with the Red Cross Dec. 19-Jan. 5 will receive a long-sleeved Red Cross T-shirt,

while supplies last. To schedule an appointment to donate, download the free Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org), call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or enable the Blood Donor Skill on any Alexa Echo device.

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to meet certain height and weight requirements.

Blood and platelet donors can save time at their next donation by using RapidPass® to complete their pre-donation reading and health history questionnaire online, on the day of their donation, before arriving at the blood drive. To get started, follow the instructions at [RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass](http://RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass) or use the Blood Donor App.

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**CLUES ACROSS**

1. Hair care product

4. Looped

10. It's present in all living cells

11. Choose

12. South Dakota

14. Cash machine

15. Of the pia mater

16. Ancient Egyptian documents

18. Layers at the back of the eyeballs

22. Not perceived

23. Look over

24. Improve a tire

26. Time zone

27. Main branch of Islam

28. Bark of the mulberry tree

30. Sea eagles

31. Records heart muscle activity (abbr.)

34. Famed Hollywood producer

36. Yuck!

37. Reject outright and bluntly

39. \_\_ 500, car race

40. Small heap or pile

41. Type of degree (abbr.)

42. Contagious skin disease

48. Erases from a surface

50. In an enthusiastic way

51. Begin again

52. Intricately produced pattern

53. It flows NW to the Seine

54. Be obliged to repay

55. Southeast

56. Slip in

58. Leisure time

activity

59. Breastbones

60. Sun up in New York

**CLUES DOWN**

1. More cloudy

2. Main course

3. Protect with plastic

4. Equally

5. Rebukes

6. Friend to a salesman

7. Warm up

8. Overshadow

9. Interior lineman in football

12. San Antonio hoopster

13. Comedian Cook

17. Time zone

19. First PM of India

20. Performing perfectly

21. A way to hide

25. Former NBA commissioner

29. Peter's last name

31. Outlying suburb of London

32. Used to cut steak

33. Deep inlets

35. Type of tree

38. Done openly and unashamedly

41. Indigenous person of N. Africa

43. Confessed openly

44. A way to separate with an instrument

45. Influential journalist Tarbell

46. Manning and Roth are two

47. One who cares for horses in India

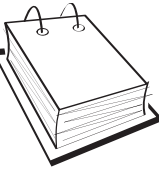
49. Something to believe in

56. Form of "to be"

57. Atomic #73

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# Calendar of Events



**THURSDAY, DEC. 26**

2020 QUABBIN SAVINGS CARD will be offered by the Barre Library Association to benefit the Woods Memorial. The cost of the card is \$10 and with the purchase of card during the months of December, January and part of February, people can enter their gift basket drawing giveaway. Cards can purchased at: Woods Memorial Library, The Country Gourmet, and Shear Expressions from Jen. For more information, people may contact Kate Lathrop at 978-355-2119 or Susan Morrall at 978-355-2777.

SENIOR YOGA will be held at the Barre Senior Center, 557 South Barre Rd., Barre from 9-10 a.m. Thursdays and Tuesdays. Cost is \$5. These sessions are “chair yoga,” which means you remain seated (no getting up and down off the floor, etc.). They are primarily stretching, breathing and meditation exercises, which are not physically demanding. For more information, people may visit [www.listeningwellness.org](http://www.listeningwellness.org) or call 978-355-3501. People do not need to be a senior to participate.

POOL will be played daily at the Barre Senior Center, 557 South Barre Rd., Barre at 9 a.m.

BINGO will be played daily at the Barre Senior Center, 557 South Barre Rd., Barre at 10:15 a.m.

WHIST will be played daily at the Barre Senior Center, 557 South Barre Rd., Barre at 10:30 a.m.

SENIOR LUNCH will be offered at the Barre Senior Center, 557 South Barre Rd., Barre Monday through Friday at 11:45 a.m. Call Jayne at 978-355-5027 to reserve your meal or Worcester Elder Services at 508-799-8070 and a \$2.50 donation is appreciated.

BARRE HISTORICAL SOCIETY, 18 Common St., is open every Thursday morning from 10 a.m. to noon, Saturdays from 9 a.m. to noon, and always by appointment. To schedule an appointment, people may call Margaret Marshall at 978-257-7653. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn more about local history.

STORY TIME for 3 years olds will be held on Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. at the Rutland Free Public Library, 280 Main St., Rutland. For more information, people may stop by the library or call 508-886-4108.

FREE KNITTING LESSONS will be offered at the Gilbertville Public Library, 259 Main St., Gilbertville for anyone that is 12 years of age or older. The lessons will be offered on Thursdays from 2:30-4 p.m. and will be free of charge. Knitting needles and yarn will be supplied. For more information, people may stop by or call the library at 413-477-6312.

WALKING CLUB will be held at the Hubbardston Senior Center, Main St., Hubbardston Thursdays and Tuesdays at 8:30 a.m.

HUBBARDSTON SENIOR CENTER MEALS BY MOC will be offered at the center, Main St., Hubbardston Thursdays and Tuesdays at 11:30 a.m.

FUNDAMENTALS OF ART will be held at the Paige Memorial Library, 87 Petersham Rd., Hardwick, every Thursday from 5-7 p.m. This program is for those who want to explore art media, to share ideas or to just work in a group setting. For more information, people may call 413-477-6704, email director.

## CALENDAR POLICY

Our calendar section is intended to promote “free” events or ones that directly affect a volunteer-driven organization that benefits the community. Paid events that are not deemed fund-raisers or benefits do not qualify. Non-charitable events that charge the public for profit is not allowed as we consider that paid advertising. The deadline to submit calendar items in the mail, by fax, or emailed in Word document format is Monday at noon or sooner. We usually print one week in advance of an event, and the listings should be brief, with only time, date, location, brief activity explanation, and contact information. All future listings appear weekly online.

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‘THE NAUGHTY BUT NICE STITCHERS’ KNITTING AND CROCHET CLUB meets at the Gilbertville Public Library, 259 Main St., Gilbertville every Thursday from 2:30-4 p.m. New people with any skill level are always welcome to join the group. In addition to their own hand-crafted projects, they will be making hats, mittens and sweaters for children in Gilbertville as well as contributing some of these items to the World Vision/Knit for Kids Organization. The Naughty but Nice Stitchers are asking for donations of unused yarns and size 7 or 8 knitting needles for use on these projects. For more information, people may stop by or call the library at 413-477-6312.

TEA AT THREE will be held at the Paige Memorial Library, 87 Petersham Rd., Hardwick on Thursdays at 3 p.m. All are welcome to attend and enjoy tea (or coffee), treats and talk. For more information, people may email [director.paigelibrary@gmail.com](mailto:director.paigelibrary@gmail.com), call 413-477-6704 or visit either [www.facebook.com/paigelibrary/](http://www.facebook.com/paigelibrary/) or [www.paigelibrary.com](http://www.paigelibrary.com).

### FRIDAY, DEC. 27

MOC CFCE PLAYGROUPS will be held on Fridays at the Hardwick Youth/Family Center, located above the police station/municipal offices, 307 Main St., Gilbertville from 9:30-11:30 a.m. All MOC Coordinated Family & Community Engagement (CFCE) playgroups are free with focus on early literacy, cognitive development and STEM and sponsored by Montachusett Opportunity Council with funding from the Mass. Department of Early Education and Care.

CRAFTS AND CONVERSATION meets at the Barre Senior Center, 557 South Barre Rd., Barre every Friday morning at 10 a.m. for creation and conversation. All are welcome to attend.

CRIBBAGE will be played at the Hubbardston Senior Center, Main St., Hubbardston at 1:30 p.m.

CHRISTIAN YOUTH CLUB (CYC) will meet on Fridays at New Life Assembly of God, 60 Main St., South Barre from 5:30-7:30 p.m. The group will meet September to June. Club is for school age boys and girls who want time with friends, fun, and learning

about God and His love for them. Parents are encouraged to come and meet the leaders when they drop off their children. For more information, people may email [barreclub@gmail.com](mailto:barreclub@gmail.com).

MOTHER GOOSE TIME for 0-2 year olds will be held on Fridays at 10:30 a.m. at the Rutland Free Public Library, 280 Main St., Rutland. For more information, people may stop by the library or call 508-886-4108.

ADULT COLORING GROUP will be held on the first, third, fourth and fifth Friday of every month at the Gilbertville Public Library, 259 Main St., Gilbertville from 6-7 p.m. The library will provide supplies and people are welcome to bring their own. For more information, people may call the library at 413-477-6312.

BEREAVEMENT GROUP will be offered by the First Congregational Church of West Brookfield, UCC and Faith and Family Hospice of Marlborough in the church office, 36 North Main St., West Brookfield on Fridays at 5 p.m. Sessions will be offered for 6 weeks with a 2 week break between the next. There is no limit to the number of times an individual can sign up for this program. The group is open to all ages and all kinds of losses. People may call the church office at 508-867-7078 to indicate they will be attending or email [1stcongo.westbrookfield@gmail.com](mailto:1stcongo.westbrookfield@gmail.com).

### MONDAY, DEC. 30

LINE DANCING will be offered at the Barre Senior Center, 557 South Barre Rd., Barre from 11 a.m. to noon with dance instructor J.P. Ellery. People of all ages and from surrounding towns are welcome to attend.

TAI CHI CLASSES will be led by Barre resident Roger Currier at the Barre Senior Center, 557 South Barre Rd., at 1 p.m. Classes are expected to last 30-45 minutes. Classes are planned for 3 days a week: Monday, Wednesday and Friday at a cost of \$5 per week (for 3 classes). This form of Tai Chi is geared toward seniors and is designed to gently loosen muscles, joints and strengthen one’s inner core. It is not rigorous and does not involve physical exertion. To sign up for the class or for more information, people may call the senior center at 978-355-5004.

WII BOWLING will be played every Monday at the Barre Senior Center, 557 South Barre Rd., Barre at 2 p.m.

BINGO will be held at the Hubbardston Senior Center, Main St., Hubbardston at 12:30 p.m.

ADULT COLORING GROUP will meet at Haston Free Public Library, North Brookfield every Monday from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Coloring pages and pencils are available or people can bring their own supplies. All are welcome. For more information, people may call the library at 508-867-0208.

### TUESDAY, DEC. 31

MASS AT GRANDVIEW TERRACE will be offered by Reverend James Callahan, pastor of St. Francis of Assisi Parish the last Tuesday each month at 1 p.m. All are welcome. People do not have to reside at Grandview Terrace or be Catholic to attend. Currently those attending are of mixed denominations. Join them for worship, fellowship and refreshments. If transportation is an issue, people may call 978-355-6659 and a ride can be arranged.

ART group will be held at the Barre Senior Center, 557 South Barre Rd., Barre, every Tuesday at 9 a.m. The cost is \$20 for 5 classes with supplies included.

BINGO will be played at the Barre Senior Center, 557 South Barre Rd., Barre, every Tuesday at 10:15 a.m.

CRIBBAGE will be played at the Barre Senior Center, 557 South Barre Rd., Barre, every Tuesday at 1 p.m.

SCAT will be played at the Barre Senior Center, 557 South Barre Rd., Barre, every Tuesday at 1 p.m.

QUILTING CLASSES will be offered at the Barre Senior Center, 557 South Barre Rd., Barre, every Tuesday from 12:30-2:30 p.m. The cost is \$30 for 10 weeks.

SWINGING SINGING SENIORS will be held at the Hubbardston Senior Center, Main St., Hubbardston at 1:30 p.m.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS MEETINGS will be held on Tuesday evenings from 7-8:30 p.m. at the Barre Congregational Church, 30 Park St., Barre, using the rear entrance.

### WEDNESDAY, JAN. 1

NEW YEAR’S DAY SKI OR HIKE will be hosted by East Quabbin Land Trust at Mass Central Rail Trail, West Rd., New Braintree at noon. Start the New Year by enjoying the outdoors. Bring family and friends along on their annual walk/ski exploring the local rail trail.

### THURSDAY, JAN. 2

MOC CFCE PLAYGROUPS will be held on Thursdays at the Woods Memorial Library, 19 Pleasant St., Barre from 10:30-11:45 a.m. All MOC Coordinated Family & Community Engagement (CFCE) playgroups are free with focus on early literacy, cognitive development and STEM and sponsored by Montachusett Opportunity Council with funding from the Mass. Department of Early Education and Care.

### TUESDAY, JAN. 7

HEALING MINISTRY AT MARY’S GARDEN located in the sacristy at St. Joseph’s Chapel, 29 South St., Barre will be held on Tuesdays during the hours of 1:30-5:30 p.m. unless announced otherwise. Paula Grandpre Wood PT and the parish group Hearts on Fire, invite all to a place where the body and soul are nourished and cared for. Drawing on traditional physical therapy, and embodied through a holistic approach and the body’s inherent ability to heal itself, she uses integrated manual therapy techniques that balance the body’s system. Gentle hands-on pressure is applied, to help guide your body into balance. Sign up is necessary by contacting Paula by email, phone or text at [Paulagrwn@gmail.com](mailto:Paulagrwn@gmail.com), or 978-434-1246. There are no fees only a free will donation to St. Francis of Assisi will be accepted.

MOC CFCE PLAYGROUPS will be held on Tuesdays at MOC Coordinated Family & Community Engagement (CFCE), 21 Allen Dr., Barre from 10-11:15 a.m. All MOC Coordinated Family & Community Engagement (CFCE) playgroups are free with focus on early literacy, cognitive development and STEM and sponsored by Montachusett Opportunity Council with funding from the Mass. Department of Early Education and Care.

### WEDNESDAY, JAN. 8

QUILTING GROUP will be held at the Barre Senior Center, 557 South Barre Rd., Barre, every Wednesday at 9 a.m.

MEDITATION will be held at the Barre Senior Center, 557 South Barre Rd., Barre, every Wednesday at 10:30 a.m.

PINOCHLE will be played at the Barre Senior Center, 557 South Barre Rd., Barre, every Wednesday at 1 p.m.

READ AND PLAY will be held at the Fobes Memorial Library, 4 Maple St., Oakham every Tuesday and Wednesday at 10:15 a.m. Children can enjoy stories, songs, fingerplays and a craft.

PLAY AND STORY TIME for babies, toddlers and pre-schoolers will be held at the Paige Memorial Library, 87 Petersham Rd., Hardwick from 10:30-11:30 a.m. All are welcome to come meet parents and playmates. For more information, people may call the library at 413-477-6704, email [director.paigelibrary@gmail.com](mailto:director.paigelibrary@gmail.com), visit [www.paigelibrary.com](http://www.paigelibrary.com) or [www.facebook.com/paigelibrary](http://www.facebook.com/paigelibrary).

BARRE BOY SCOUT TROOP 26 MEETINGS will be held at the Barre Congregational Church, 30 Park St., Barre on Wednesday evenings from 7-8:30 p.m. Any boy who is 11 years old or completed the 5th grade may join by attending a troop meeting. Any boy interested in joining may attend a scout meeting or contact Scoutmaster Aaron Casey at 774-922-2591.

TODDLER TIME for 2 year olds will be held on Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. at the Rutland Free Public Library, 280 Main St., Rutland. For more information, people may stop by the library or call 508-886-4108.

NEW CREATIONS MINISTRY FOR WOMEN will be held at New Life Assembly of God, 60 Main St., South Barre from 6:30-8 p.m. on Wednesday evenings. This is a Christ-centered support group for women who struggle with addiction. All are welcome and there is no cost to attend. For more information, people may call Pastor James Foley at 978-355-6407 or visit [www.NewLifeBarre.org](http://www.NewLifeBarre.org).

LEGO CLUB will be held at the Haston Free Public Library, North Brookfield on Wednesdays evenings from 5:30-6:30 p.m. For more information, people may call the library at 508-867-0208.

SCOUTS BSA TROOP 6 FOR GIRLS, the local BSA Troop for Barre area girls, meets 7-8:30 p.m. every Wednesday at Gardner American Legion. This is a hiking, biking, paddling Troop where girls can earn their Eagle rank. For more information, people may

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**People at the Barre Police Department annual open house learn how to sign up for free Swift 911 public alerts and more.**



**This large tree at Adams Cemetery in Barre came down in one of the recent storms with high winds.**



**Santa Claus brings up the rear of the annual Santa Parade in Barre Saturday, Dec. 7. Draft horses from Blue Star Farm in West Brookfield pull the wagon.**

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A letter from the New Braintree selectmen said the letter notifying them of the Quabbin Regional School District Committee vote did not get sent to them within the seven days. In the letter, the board said it was not going to schedule a town meeting. Superintendent Dr. Sheila Muir said legal counsel gave the school three recommendations. The committee could request their town of New Braintree waiver the seven days, the committee could repeat their vote or start the entire process again. A motion to repeat the vote passed with three voting no – Dr. Richard Allan, Debra Chamberlain and Peggy Thompson.

Selectmen discussed Stetson School security protocol with Police Chief John Carbone. The protocol includes sending two officers and asking for an ambulance on stand-by when notified of an “elopement” during dangerous weather conditions. The chief said he would like to be notified immediately when the staff knows a student left campus. Seven Hills/Stetson School said that they find most of the students within 20 minutes.

The nominations are in; the 2019 Shillelagh Award selection committee met Monday, Feb. 18 and picked the 2019 Shillelagh award winners. The lucky winners will be honored at the third annual All Things Irish event Saturday, March 2.

The Quabbin Regional School District budget subcommittee voted to present a \$35,135,804 proposal to the full committee and public hearing March 14. The FY 20 budget proposal used \$1,104,765 of school choice funds toward the budget.

### March

March came in like a lion. A few inches of snow arrived Saturday, March 2. A much larger storm of almost 12 inches blanketed the area Sunday, March 3 through the night and into Monday, March 4.

Green colors are not only a part of spring, but are also a symbol of Irish culture. All Things Irish event brought out the wearing of the green in Barre March 2. Shillelagh award winners included: Michael Allen, Michelle Bertrand, Charles Chase, John Chase, Dr. Stephen Earls, Mary Ann and Ralph Gendron, Sal Imperato, Nehr Jenkins, Gloria Judd, Timothy Mara, Margaret Marshall and Lt. Rob Roy MacGregor.

Selectmen received the first request for a Community Host Agreement (CHA) for outdoor marijuana growing. They already signed a CHJA for a medical indoor growing facility. Tom Egan, CEO of Castle Rock Agricultural Enterprises, met with selectmen and the planning board to discuss a CHA Monday, March 4. He plans to grow marijuana on a 2.3 acre parcel within his 134 acre property located at 257 Walnut Hill Farm. He said the 2.3 acres is in a mostly wooded area that would not be seen from the road.

A grand night was had by all Friday, March 8 at the first ever Policeman’s Ball, held at the beautiful Harding Allen Estate. The ball, sponsored by the Barre Police Department, was the idea of Barre Police Chief John Carbone, as a way to offer a special and elegant night to the citizens of Barre.

Superintendent Dr. Sheila Muir read a letter from the New Braintree Board of Selectmen regarding conditions for leasing space in the town’s elementary school at the March 14 school committee meeting. The board’s main criteria were that the use be only for education purposes. School use would be after 3:30 p.m. during the school year and extended hours during school vacations and summer break. The lease location would be limited to the second floor only, but excluding the media center. In addition, the selectmen would limit use of the cafeteria and coordinate use of the gym. The lease would be for one year with a possible two year extension.

Quabbin Regional High School seniors along with other visiting seniors from Leicester High School and Eagle Hill School jumped ahead seven years into the future Thursday, March 21 when they attended the Credit for Life Fair, sponsored by Country Bank. Several hundred stu-

dents in total were able to experience the various financial decisions an adult would most likely be making and what they would ultimately be making down the road when they reached adulthood.

Selectmen held the first of two public hearings March 25 regarding a Community Host Agreement (CHA) with Tom Egan, CEO of Castle Rock Agricultural Inc. for outdoor cultivation of marijuana on his property at 257 Walnut Hill Road. Residents expressed support for the proposed operation.

### April

Selectmen unanimously approved and adopted a natural hazard mitigation plan for the town, a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) requirement. Planning assistant, Peter Peloquin of Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission presented the plan at the Monday, April 1 selectmen’s meeting. He explained that the plan was not a disaster response. Instead, its goal was to reduce hazard impacts before a disaster occurs.

Dylan S. Clark, 218 Walnut Hill Road, won a three-year term to the Barre Board of Selectmen over John M. Lathrop III, 280 Hardwick Road, according to unofficial results from the town clerk in the Monday, April 1 town election. With 415 voters (249 precinct 1 and 166 precinct 2) or just under 11.5 percent of registered voter going to the polls, Clark received 291 votes (169 precinct 1 and 122 precinct 2) and Lathrop got 114 votes (75 precinct 1 and 122 precinct 2).

With the words, “I relieve you sir,” Cadet ENS Morgan Whitney took over as commanding Officer of the Navy JROTC unit at Quabbin Regional High School Friday, April 5. Whitney, a junior, relieved Cadet CDR Joseph Day, a senior.

Just in time for Holy Week and Easter, the Barre Players Theater, 64 Commons St., presented the musical, “Godspell.” Playing to an almost full house at the Sunday, April 7 matinee, the talented cast got the audience clapping and at times mingled with the audience.

With town meeting about two months away, the Marijuana Advisory Committee finished its charge of presenting recommendations of changes to two bylaws regarding marijuana. With the bylaw changes on the screen for all to see, committee chair Ralph Rogers explained the changes suggest to the respective boards on the two bylaw drafts presented to them for review and recommendation.

A group of people attended the program “Quabbin Reservoir: Clearing the Valley” presented by Quabbin Reservoir Visitor Center manager, Maria Beiter-Tucker at the Woods Memorial Library. The hour long free and open to the public program covered a variety of topics directly related to the construction of the reservoir.

Two students from Ruggles Lane Elementary School gave a robot demonstration at the Quabbin Regional School District Committee meeting, April 25. The students as part of the school Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) program programmed Ozobots, tiny robots about the size of a golf ball to trace the letter QRSD and RLS on a paper map using color coded maneuvers.

Close to 230 people attended the Daddy Daughter Dance at Ruggles Lane School Friday, April 26. The annual event is one of the most anticipated of the year.

### May

An unusual plant took center stage in the musical “Little Shop of Horrors” May 3, 4 and 5 at Quabbin Regional High School. The plant morphed from a small sickly thing to a very, huge, hungry plant.

Selectmen at the request of the Barre Council on Aging took the first step for the town to become an age friendly community May 6. The board approved the formation of a committee of eleven with a quorum of six to work on the task of becoming an age friendly and dementia friendly community.

A short break in the rain Friday, May 10 was all a hundred or so lovely young ladies and dapper young men needed when they gathered with family and friends at the Harding Allen Bandstand to take pictures

before the annual semi-formal dance at Quabbin Middle School.

The next morning, Saturday, May 11 Quabbin Middle School honored seventh and eighth grade students for academic achievement at a breakfast at the school. According to principal Sue Musnicki, the honors breakfast is a way to recognize middle school student, who have worked hard in academics and other subjects.

Selectman chair Matthew Urban said he heard from some voters that they find it hard to review the Quabbin school budget as presented and at town meeting they vote a lump sum. Superintendent Dr. Sheila Muir and Cheryl Duval, director of administrative services, gave a slide presentation to selectmen and members of the finance committee at Monday, May 20 selectmen’s meeting.

Unlike any Memorial Day school assembly around, the NJROTC program includes all students from middle and High school, as well as local officials and veterans, with the intention to engage the hundreds attending and stress the importance of what the holiday truly means to those, who currently or have served. A replica of, “The Wall,” eight panels of the 144 that make up the original monument in Washington D.C., was constructed by Quabbin students and teachers, Bill Simons, Therese Salvadore and Brent Bolger.

The Memorial Day parade Monday, May 27 followed its traditional route from Broad Street to Exchange Street and around the Common to North Park for the ceremony. The Barre police truck led the way, followed by the color guard and firing squad.

Quabbin Regional High School Class of 2019 celebrated the end of 13 years in school – kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade Friday, May 31 on the lawn in front of the high school. Led by the Quabbin High NJROTC color guard, 133 classmates marched out of the high school front door for their graduation. Principal Greg Devine said that 66 percent of the class will attend four-year colleges and 22 percent two-year colleges. Four percent will enter the military, four percent will seek postgraduate training and four percent will obtain employment.

### June

In anticipation of upcoming Annual Town Meetings in its member towns, the Quabbin Regional School District Committee voted to lower the budget increase from 2.8 percent to 2.24 percent. The using of overestimated costs and reductions lowered Barre’s operating assessment from 5.17 percent to 3.47 percent and Hardwick went from 0.52 percent to minus 1.07 percent. Hubbardston’s assessment lowered to 6.97 percent from 8.83 percent; New Braintree from 8.60 percent to 6.82 percent and Oakham from 3.89 percent to 2.86 percent.

The Quabbin Community Band opened its summer series, Sunday, June 16 at the Normay Bandstand, on South Barre Common, when they presented a Father’s Day Welcome program. Concerts continue throughout the summer and end in August.

The town of Barre voted marijuana zoning by law and a licensing bylaw after failed attempts to pass them a previous town meetings. Voters approved the zoning bylaw by ballot vote with 124 yes and 59 no Tuesday night, June 17. Barre voters joined the town of Oakham in approving its share of the Quabbin Regional School District budget of \$5,679,580. The towns of Hubbardston and New Braintree failed to approve the school committee requested amount at their town meetings. Four of the five member towns must approve the school budget for it to pass. The town of Hardwick will meet later in the week.

On the first anniversary of Marguerite “Magi” Maki’s death, the Council on Aging hosted an event to honor her memory at her beloved senior center June 17. Hers was a life of service to her town. She grew up here and graduated from Barre High School in 1952. In retirement, she became the Barre Council on Aging senior center director and retired in 2009.

### July

The two selectmen present, Greg O’Sullivan and Dylan Clark, approved the end of year interdepart-

mental transfers requested by Jean Joel, town accountant, on July 15. The finance committee also must approve them.

The Quabbin Regional School District Committee met Tuesday, July 16 and voted to lower the FY 20 budget by \$115,855. Cheryl Duval, director of administrative services, said the funds came from reductions in workers’ compensation insurance and health insurance. She said she received the renewal for workers’ compensation via email June 25. It freed up \$26,155. Health insurance renewal quote of July 8 was a five percent increase. Duval calculated a 10 percent increase in the budget presented at the five member town meetings. The reduced amount was \$89,700. The administration recommended lowering the FY 20 budget by the total of the two reductions - \$115,855.

A hot summer day did not keep people from attending the annual Barre Police Department open house at the Stephen M. Brewer Public Safety Complex. For those that wanted to “cool off,” the air-conditioned public safety building was the perfect place when the temperature climbed into the 90s Saturday, July 20.

### August

Anne Tuttle told selectmen Aug. 5 that the Grove Street Extension walkway on Barre Common was an “eyesore.” She said people donated money to beautify the former road known as Grove Street Extension. Now she said that it was all over-grown and needed weeding. Selectmen chair Matt Urban suggested that the selectmen put the item on the agenda for the Department of Public Works meeting next week and for the board of selectmen’s meeting Monday, Aug. 19.

Selectmen Urban said at the Aug. 19 meeting he talked with two or three groups that might be willing to help maintain the Grove Street Extension second of the Common. Bull God Landscaping provided and put down mulch for the gardens that line the walkway. The Boy Scouts were interested in volunteering to help keep it looking nice. Urban said the town should plan to purchase maintenance work and include it in next year’s budget.

This past weekend, Aug. 24 and 25 marked the return of the Worcester County 4-H Fair for the second year at Felton Field. Just as 4-Hers in the years before this group showed their animals and projects, this year 4-H members brought their animals and 4-H projects, sewing, floral arrangements, eggs, vegetables and more. The weather turned out sunny both days, although it was on the cool side in the early morning.

### September

Sept 7 the Barre Common was buzzing with traffic, many who made a special trip to the annual Barre Lions Club car show. “Every year we come to this car show, we love the old cars,” said Shirley Morrow from Paxton, who was admiring a red Austin Healey 3000 MKIII. “I have to like the old cars. I’m 86 years old.”

Selectmen chair Matthew Urban said at the Sept. 9 meeting that South Barre “was a densely populated area and does not have play equipment or basketball hoop.” Selectmen received two letters from abutters to Normay Park and both letter writers opposed a basketball hoop at the park. They said there was basketball hoop in Normay Park in the past and it became a hangout with drinking and drug use. Mary Ann Gendron of the South Barre Common Committee said there was already a park at High Plains with playground equipment and basketball court.

Sept. 14 at Felton Field the Duval family attended the Joe’s Journey for Recovery 5K and corn hole tournament, in celebration of Joseph Duval’s life and with the intention to raise awareness of drug addiction. Joseph Duval lost his battle with substance use disorder and addiction in 2018. Since his death and to honor his memory, his family established a 501-c non-profit organization, Joe’s Journey for Recovery.

Police Chief John Carbone said that the total number of calls to Seven Hills Foundation/Stetson School declined this year from 2018 at the Sept. 23 selectmen’s meeting. There were a total of 29 man-hours for 218. For this year, there were 72 man-hours. He estimated the median rate

for man-hours at \$26.50 per hour.

### October

Carter and Stevens Farm held its annual Harvest Fest Columbus Day weekend. In conjunction with the Harvest Fest, Carter and Stevens looks to do something to give back and hold the pumpkin launch fundraiser each year. This year the proceeds of the pumpkin launch went to the Brittany Murch scholarship fund.

A nor-easter hit the region late Wednesday, Oct. 16 and into Thursday, Oct. 17. It combined high winds and heavy rain to cause widespread power outages. The Quabbin Regional District called off school both Thursday, Oct. 17 and Friday, Oct. 18. Town administrator Andrew Golas said, “The main impact of the storm hit the area between 2 a.m. and 6 a.m. Barre’s public safety departments were dispatched to numerous reports of trees across roadway and wires down.” He said, “With 1,600 National Grid customers, equaling 66 percent of the town without power, we opened an Emergency Operations Center, declared a local state of emergency and requested National Grid send a community liaison to coordinate restoration efforts.”

Ron Higgins requested a host community agreement to grow outdoor marijuana at 101 Daunt Road at the Oct. 21 selectmen’s meeting. The farm on Daunt Road has 115 acres with a lot of woods. The site of the marijuana cultivation would not be visible from the road. The state limits outdoor cultivation to 2.2 acres. Higgins said he erected a sign on the property earlier in the day as required by law. The sign must be installed at the site 14 days prior to the public hearing.

On Wednesday, Oct. 30 the Knights of Columbus gathered friends from three local food pantries to present their checks from the 2019 “Fill the Pantry” golf scramble. Each food pantry received \$7,500. Recipients were Barre Food Pantry, Rutland’s Food Bank and Joseph’s Project in Holden.

### November

Because of the heavy rains and high winds forecast for the actual night of Halloween, the Barre Board of Selectmen voted to postpone the festivities for two days to Nov. 2. The clear and brisk air certainly gave a feel of fall as many arrived at the Barre Common to Trunk or Treat from the couple of dozen vehicles set up to hand out goodies. As the sun was setting, dancers from the Next Step Studio of the Performing Arts wowed the crowd with a flash mob as they got everyone in the mood with their energy, excitement and ghostly attire, performing along Common Street.

Selectmen approved three more sections of the town’s financial policies and procedures – financial reserves, forecasting and investments. Selectman chair Matthew Urban discussed establishing a capitalization fund as well as the regular stabilization fund as part of financial reserves Monday, Nov. 4.

Twenty years went by like a blink of an eye for Dede King, one of the three founding member of Listening Wellness Center in Barre. Saturday, Nov. 9 close to 100 community members and old friends gathered at Hartman’s Her Farm in Barre to celebrate Listening’s 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Dr. Bruce Lockhart and Elizabeth Coe were the other founding members.

American Legion Post 2 held its annual Veterans Day parade and ceremony, Monday, Nov. 11. Barre residents and people from surrounding towns came to support and honor veterans.

Sixty-four Quabbin NJROTC Cadets participated in the annual inspection held Thursday, Nov. 14. “The purpose of the annual inspection is to ensure that each of the 625 Navy NJROTC units throughout the country and Europe are in compliance with the Navy standard of instruction and administration,” said Captain Brennock, Quabbin NJROTC Senior Naval Science Instructor. “This was my 12<sup>th</sup> inspection, all of which have been given the highest grade of Outstanding,” said Brennock.

Brett Ouimette, director of the Quabbin High School music and drama departments’ production of “Guys and Dolls” said, “The cast

has a lot of talent.” The students at Quabbin Regional High School did not disappoint the audience Nov. 15, 16 and 17.

The two selectmen present, Greg O’Sullivan and Dylan Clark, approved a residential factor or 1 at the tax classification hearing held Monday, Nov. 17.

Saturday, Nov. 23 was a busy day for fairs. St. Francis of Assisi Parish held its annual fair in the hall at St. Joseph’s Chapel, South Street. Quabbin Regional High School was also the location of a craft fair on the same day.

Tuesday, Nov. 26 just before Thanksgiving break, the measuring of beards for No Shave November took place at the Quabbin Middle School. The event organized by the Quabbin Kids Care, a student run group, sponsored the fundraiser. This year’s winner was Evan Barringer, a middle school teacher.

Saturday, Nov. 30 Bishop Robert J. McManus visited Barre to preside over Mass at St. Joseph’s Chapel and bless the recent renovations. “I invited the Bishop to come in September,” said Father Jamie Callahan, Pastor of St. Francis of Assisi Parish. “The Bishop has been here a number of times, but only twice since I’ve been here. Last year, he did the blessing of St. Thomas-a-Becket Church after it was renovated.”

### December

About 19 inches of snow fell beginning Sunday, Dec. 1 in the afternoon and ending Tuesday, Dec. 3 it was the first snow of the 2019-2020 winter season.

Almost two feet of snow that fell earlier in the week did not stop Christmas in Barre from happening Saturday, Dec. 7. The Santa parade happened anyway thanks to the efforts of the Barre Department of Public Works to clear pathways, sidewalks and roads. The Barre Police Department handled traffic control. Members of the board of selectmen and fire Department participated in the Santa Parade along with Santa himself. Following the parade, he along with Mrs. Claus moved to the Heritage Center to visit with children. People had the opportunity to stop at three fairs: one in the Barre Town Hall, another at the Barre Congregational Church and the third in the Barre Senior Center.

The town of Barre Assessor’s Office announces that the Department of Revenue approved the Fiscal 2020 tax rate. The approved tax rate is \$17.87 per \$1,000 valuation, which is a decrease of 25 cents from the Fiscal 2019 tax rate. Based upon recent valid sales within the town, the Fiscal 2019 average single family home valuation of \$210,165 increased by approximately \$9,139 to the recently approved Fiscal 2020 average single family home valuation of approximately \$219,304. The average homeowner could see an actual tax increase of approximately \$110.77 for Fiscal 2020.

Dr. Richard Allan, chair of the policy review/reform subcommittee said at Thursday, Dec. 12 meeting of the Quabbin Regional School District Committee the new alternate learning program at the Quabbin Regional High School “shows promise.” The high school offers this program for special education students and dropouts, who are lagging behind, to come back to school.

Town administrator Andrew Golas tendered his resignation to the Barre Board of Selectmen at the Monday, Dec. 16 meeting during an executive session. His resignation was effective Feb. 2, 2020. He accepted a position as town administrator for the town of Charlton and will start Feb. 2.

The Barre Fire Department received a \$5,915 Firefighter Turnout Gear grant from the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security and the department of Fire Services. The Barre Fire Department will be able to purchase 35 hoods and 35 sets of gloves for personal protection during firefighting operations. “This gear will protect our firefighters from the immediate risks associated with fighting fires in dangerous environments and just as importantly, protect them from the delayed risk of occupational cancers caused by exposure to the toxic chemicals produced during fires,” said Chief Rob Rogowski.



## Troop 257 Scouts complete Eagle board of review



Troop 257 of North Brookfield Scout Henry Davidson stands between Scoutmaster Corey MacIntosh and Past Scoutmaster Robert Pariseau upon completing his Eagle Scout Board of Review.



Troop 257 of North Brookfield Scout Luke Jolin stands between Scoutmaster Corey MacIntosh and Past Scoutmaster Robert Pariseau upon completing his Eagle Scout Board of Review.

## SENIOR HOUSING, continued from page 1

Commission) doing a study of population growth.” Lots of information was shared last Thursday, along with a detailed Brookfield Regional Senior Housing Needs Analysis completed by the CMRPC, and distributed to those in attendance.

The study, covering the towns of Brookfield, Warren, East Brookfield, Hardwick, North Brookfield, Barre and West Brookfield, validated the prediction of the population growth, specifically the 65 and over population. It tracked the growth and percent change from 2000 to 2017, with the numbers only expected to increase.

It also separated the towns and tracked different statistics including types of housing units – the majority being single family detached homes, housing affordability, and the percentage of the population from each town that could not afford a median-priced home where they lived.

The analysis offered suggestions and those on the CMRPC, Janet Pierce, executive director, Trish Settles, head of regional planning services, Ron Barron, principal planner and Emily Glaubitz, were present to explain the study, answer questions, offer ideas and help brainstorm with others in the room for potential solutions to keep people living in the towns they prefer.

Brookfield Planning Board Chairman, Sharon Mahoney, took some time to cover zoning bylaws after sharing the idea of ADU (Accessory Dwelling Units – similar to an in-law apartment).

“The zoning bylaws are not written in stone,” Mahoney said to the audience. “They can be amended.”

At one of the earlier meetings, Snyder said a resident from Marlborough happened to be attending and offered the suggestion of renovating homes into in-law apartments, to accommodate the 65 and older population.

Both Snyder and Mahoney thought the idea could be a terrific, affordable and fast way to begin to address the issue.

“In Brookfield we have bylaws that allow ADU, however it depends on the septic with your house, but it’s doable,” stated Snyder.

The meeting also briefly addressed the Brookfield mobile park units of Nanatomqua, Wagon Wheel and the Meadows, with the Meadows having the means and space to possibly grow.

Overall, Snyder was blown away at the number of people showing interest by setting aside the time to come out last week and learn about the initiative.

“We’d never be down this path if we didn’t have the stories and we didn’t have this outreach program through the churches,” admitted Snyder. “The attendance at last week’s meeting was double what I would have thought. What that says to us is there are needs out there.”

Moving forward, the next step for Snyder is to submit another grant for additional fact-finding information. This time the investigation will focus on the possibilities for building. The CMRPC will be contacting building contractors and other professionals for concrete information, building on the facts revealed in the analysis about the local population shift.

Meetings are planned for both February and March. The February meeting will be specific to Brookfield, and the March meeting will cover the regional towns and revealing the findings from the new study, and have builders and contractors present to answer questions and explain the process as the initiative moves forward.

The public is invited to attend the upcoming meetings and to contact CMRPC at [www.cmrpc.org](http://www.cmrpc.org) to view the analysis. Those with specific questions may call them directly at 508-792-6818.

As we gather around with family and friends this holiday, we offer up thanks for the many blessings that make life meaningful. Gifts like friendship, love, health and prosperity make us especially grateful, and we hope you enjoy these same blessings in abundance at this special time of year and always.

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**Brookfield resident and moderator for the Brookfield Congregational Church Clarence Snyder speaks to an audience member while Sharon Mahoney, chairman of the Brookfield Planning Board looks on.**

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email [Troop6.Girls@gmail.com](mailto:Troop6.Girls@gmail.com).

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS will be held on Wednesdays at Athol Hospital, 2033 Main St., Room 177, Athol at 6 p.m. No dues, no fees and no weigh-ins. For more information, people may call or text Bruce P. at 508-864-0593, email [brucep.aa@charter.net](mailto:brucep.aa@charter.net) or visit [aa.org](http://aa.org).

## THURSDAY, JAN. 9

WIC AT THE BARRE FAMILY HEALTH CENTER, 151 Worcester Rd., Barre, will be held the second Thursday of every month in the Samuel Pickens Conference Room. Walk-ins are welcome. WIC (Women Infants and Children) is a nutrition program that provides nutrition and health education, healthy food and other services free of charge to Massachusetts families who qualify.

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## Panthers pick up home win over Hudson



Photos by Karen A. Lewis  
Panther Julia Hamel takes a shot from the free throw line.

By Karen A. Lewis  
Sports Correspondent

BARRE - It was a game where every single point mattered, and for the Quabbin girls varsity basketball team, their points earned them the 52-51 victory over a visiting Hudson team last Wednesday night in an exciting Mid Wach C League contest.

"I was impressed with our resiliency and our ability to remain calm and balanced when adversity struck," Quabbin head coach Ryan Burnett said.

After splitting a win against Northbridge and a loss against Ludlow, the Panthers were determined to get back to their winning ways, despite a relentless Hudson squad.

"Hudson is a very good team with some great players and coaching," stated Burnett. "They are challenging for us because they are quick and athletic, they have a couple kids who can shoot the ball very well."

After having the 25-23 advantage

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Quabbin's Laney Shampine goes up for a layup against Hudson.



Panther Olivia Fay sends a pass to teammate Georgia Shampine.

## Welsh, Vadnais pace Ware over N. Brookfield

By Karen A. Lewis  
Sports Correspondent

NORTH BROOKFIELD - They may be neighbors, but ironically, they rarely see each other together on the courts.

That changed last Monday night when the Ware Indians girls basketball team traveled to the North Brookfield Indians turf and defeated their girls team 48-27.

"It was our first game, and it took us a little while to calm down and get going," Ware varsity girls' coach Dan Orszulak said. "I was pleased with our defense and free throw shooting (13-16)."

Looking to improve on their 18-5 record from last year and hoping to repeat league champions (Franklin County South), Orszulak and his young women will have their challenges ahead, but he is confident in the strength and depth of his team.

"I expect big things from our team," Orszulak said. "We have a lot of talent and we are going to be a tough team to beat."

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North Brookfield's Serenity Ayala drives down the court past Ware junior Amelia Bonnayer.



North Brookfield's Madison Didonato prepares to take a shot in the game against Ware.



Ware's Olivia Vadnais goes up for a layup as North Brookfield's Serenity Ayala looks to block the shot.

## Kemp jumps out to great start for Panthers

By Karen A. Lewis  
Sports Correspondent

BARRE - Nationally-ranked wrestler and Quabbin junior Tristan Kemp is back on the mat for the Panthers as he and his team kicked off the winter season last week with a pair of matches on the road.

"The team is a lot smaller than it has been in the past, but we have the potential to be a strong group," Kemp said, who has been working hard in the off season. "I've been wrestling at club, went to tournaments during the summer and went to the weight room consistently."

Currently without any seniors, this year's Quabbin wrestlers will look to the juniors for leadership, Kemp being one of them.

"Teaching the younger kids everything I know and helping them get started with wrestling is what I've been helping with," stated Kemp. "Also keeping them together as a team and helping them to persevere."

After losing Shawn Hardy and Sam Ware to graduation, a pair of talented wrestlers and athletes, Quabbin has a lot of work to do,



Panther Cole Wilson works hard to beat his Algonquin rival and earns a win by decision.

however head coach Mike Adams is pleased with what he has seen.

"We are still a very young team and we have some new faces which will need to learn and grow," Adams said. "Overall, we will find success in some of the more experienced wrestlers and will grow throughout the season."

Looking to at least equal or improve the team record from last year's five wins as they continue to compete in Mid Wach C, Division 3 Central, Kemp is definitely one of the stand-out wrestlers of the team in the heavyweight division.

Juniors Kenny Stolgitis (120 lbs)

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Quabbin's Kenny Stolgitis works on an Algonquin opponent last week as he ultimately won by decision.



Quabbin's Tristan Kemp means business when he easily gets the pin over an Algonquin wrestler.

## Pioneers shut down by Lions in opener



Sam St. Laurent takes the jump shot ahead of a block.

By Tim Peterson  
Sports Correspondent

LUDLOW — There was plenty of excitement inside Ludlow High School's Mullins Gymnasium during the first week of the basketball season.

Three days after the Lady Lions varsity basketball team began the 2019-20 regular season with a four-point home win versus Quabbin Regional, the members of the boys varsity team kicked off their season by celebrating a 68-46 home victory over Pathfinder in a Tri-County League cross-over game on Dec. 16.

"We haven't won our season opening game during the past couple

of years, but we did tonight and it's very satisfying," said Ludlow head coach Tom Cebula. "We also had to learn how to play with the lead, which hasn't happened very much in the past. Pathfinder made a couple of runs, but we were able to hold onto the lead."

The last time that the Lions boys' varsity basketball team won a regular season game was against Hampshire Regional (63-43) at Mullins Gymnasium on February 12, 2018.

"We were able to celebrate a win for the first time in a very long time and we really needed it badly," Cebula said. "I thought the way that we played defense was



Alex Bergeron tries to fake out a Ludlow guard.

the difference in tonight's game. We played aggressive half-court defense, which created a lot of turnovers leading to breakaway lay-ups. We should be a very exciting team to watch this year."

The Lions, who led from start to finish in the season opener, had three players reach double digits in scoring.

Junior forward Josh Hurst scored 16 of his game-high and career-high 20 points during the first half. He made a total of four 3-pointers during the opening 16 minutes of the contest. His other eight points came on lay-ups.

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Sports

The Week Ahead

QUABBIN REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

|                         |      |                           |         |
|-------------------------|------|---------------------------|---------|
| <b>Boys Basketball</b>  |      |                           |         |
| Friday, Dec. 27         | Home | North Middlesex           | 7 p.m.  |
| <b>Girls Basketball</b> |      |                           |         |
| Friday, Dec. 27         | Away | North Middlesex           | 7 p.m.  |
| <b>Indoor Track</b>     |      |                           |         |
| No meets this week      |      |                           |         |
| <b>Wrestling</b>        |      |                           |         |
| Friday, Dec. 27         | Away | Lowell Holiday Tournament | 9 a.m.  |
| Saturday, Dec. 28       | Away | Lowell Holiday Tournament | 10 a.m. |

NORTH BROOKFIELD HIGH SCHOOL

|                         |      |              |           |
|-------------------------|------|--------------|-----------|
| <b>Boys Basketball</b>  |      |              |           |
| Friday, Dec. 27         | Away | Athol        | 7 p.m.    |
| Monday, Dec. 30         | Home | David Prouty | 6:30 p.m. |
| <b>Girls Basketball</b> |      |              |           |
| Friday, Dec. 27         | Away | Leicester    | 7 p.m.    |
| Monday, Dec. 30         | Home | David Prouty | 5 p.m.    |

PATHFINDER REGIONAL VOCATIONAL  
TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL

|                         |      |            |           |
|-------------------------|------|------------|-----------|
| <b>Boys Basketball</b>  |      |            |           |
| Friday, Dec. 27         | Home | Granby     | 7 p.m.    |
| <b>Girls Basketball</b> |      |            |           |
| Friday, Dec. 27         | Home | St. Mary's | 3:30 p.m. |
| <b>Wrestling</b>        |      |            |           |
| Thursday, Jan. 2        | Away | Granby     | 7 p.m.    |

Ludlow alumni game to take place Jan. 4

LUDLOW – Attention all former LHS boys and girls basketball players. Do you still have Game? Relive your high school days at our Alumni Game Saturday, Jan. 4, at 10 a.m. Cost \$10 all proceeds will

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**NAME:** Kelly Daige  
**SCHOOL:** North Brookfield

In a great effort against a tough opponent, Daige put up 12 points to tie for the game-high in scoring.

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Bruins get revenge on T-Birds

PROVIDENCE, R.I. – The Springfield Thunderbirds (15-14-1-0) could not capitalize on early chances, and the Providence Bruins (18-9-1-2) completed the home-and-home sweep on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 15 with a 5-0 win over the T-Birds inside the Dunkin’ Donuts Center.

The first period carried over surprisingly little bad blood from a feisty third period and overtime session an evening ago. Springfield had multiple chances to draw first blood with a power play and scoring chances in the

opening minutes. Owen Tippett caught the crossbar with one chance, and Dryden Hunt could not pound a loose puck past Bruins goaltender Dan Vladar on the T-Birds’ first man advantage of the night.

The Bruins survived the early threat and wound up getting 12 of the final 15 shots of the opening period. Two of those shots found their way into the net behind Sam Montembeault off the stick of Providence blueliners. First, Jeremy Lauzon funneled a wrist shot from the left point through a cutting screen

and got credit for his first tally of the season to make it 1-0 at 6:11.

Near the end of the period, Jakub Zboril found himself in a similar situation at the Bruins’ offensive blue line, firing a wrist shot from the center point. With heavier traffic in front of Montembeault this time, the puck again found its way through the maze to extend the Bruins’ lead to 2-0 into the first intermission, to go along with Providence’s 17-8 first period shot edge.

Things went downhill in the second for the T-Birds after

Tommy Cross was issued a match penalty for a hit to the head of Cameron Hughes. With a major power play out of that, the Bruins struck twice in less than a minute on goals from Jack Studnicka and Paul Carey.

Providence locked it down defensively, with Vladar securing his second shutout in his last four starts with 42 stops in the victory. Oskar Steen picked up the final Bruins goal on the power play in the opening minute of the third.

Montembeault’s night ended with 28 saves in defeat.

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tage at the half, Quabbin continued to forge ahead in the third, although only by a basket or two.

“We were expecting Hudson to come out as they did,” said Quabbin senior captain Katie Jablonski. “It was no surprise compared to last year.”

With under four minutes left in the fourth quarter, the Hawks were finally able to seize an opportunity when one of their players got fouled when taking a trey.

When two of their three free throws connected, all of a sudden it was a 41 all game. Another Quabbin foul sent a Hawk back on the line, and quickly it became a 42-41 contest with Hudson taking over.

A big basket by Jablonski took the Quabbin lead back to 43-42, but only for seconds as Hudson got a pair of baskets and stretched the score a bit further the other way to 46-43 with 1:57 on the clock.

After a Quabbin timeout, Panther junior Julia Hamel stepped in and nailed four points, including a basket off a rebound and a driving shot on the net. Unfortunately a pair of Hawk points still kept the home team within one (48-47), but the tide finally changed when Jablonski was able to get the lead back for the second time during a clutch situation (49-48) with a basket from underneath.

At that point the visitors started panicking, sending Laney Shampine to the line to earn one and Hamel sealed the deal with the final Quabbin hoop securing their score at 52-48. Hats off to Hudson though, as their fight to the finish earned them a trey



Quabbin's Ashley Leighton focuses on the net as she goes up for a basket.

at the buzzer, pushing the final score to 52-51.

“I think it was the best game of the season so far, we played very composed and patient and overall played well,” Hamel said. “The goals of the team this season is to win our league and get a banner.”

Burnett credited multiple players for the win.

“Jordyn Gillon hit a big three late in the fourth quarter,” said Burnett. “Laney played excellent both offensively and defensively. She played with a lot of compo-

sure and made good decisions with the basketball and hit some key free throws in the fourth. Julia made a few key buckets to give us the lead for good.”

Earlier in the game, Quabbin senior captain Olivia Fay also made important contributions with a trio of three pointers, sharing team high points of nine with Laney Shampine and Hamel. Following behind with eight points were Jablonski and Ashley Leighton. Leading all scorers that evening was Hawk Alex Sousa with 15 points.



Quabbin's Julia Hamel goes airborne for points.

“I thought it was an awesome game, it was very exciting and intense,” Fay said. “All of us working together and just staying calm throughout the game really helped us. When I shoot, all that’s really going through my head is to get it in the net.”

Quabbin improved their overall record to 3-1, with an additional 42-14 win over Bromfield at home 24 hours later.

Quabbin resumes play action on Dec. 27 when they travel to North Middlesex, tip-off is 7 p.m.

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six juniors – Aidyn Welsh (guard), Lexie Orszulak (forward), Audrey LaValley (center), Olivia Vadnais (guard), Chelsea Orszulak (forward) and Amelia Bonnayer (guard),” stated Orszulak. “Our roster rounds out with a seventh grader, Tory Finocchio and a ninth grader, Emma Jacobs.”

Ware sophomore Andrea Bell, who was anticipated to make an important impact on the team was unfortunately injured during the last minute of her last soccer game last month and could be out of commission indefinitely.

“Our team is known for our chemistry,” said Welsh, who shared high scoring honors of 12 points with North Brookfield’s Kelly Daige. “We’ve been playing with each other since fourth grade. We know everyone’s strengths and weaknesses on the team. Hopefully this year is the year our team will raise banners and be able to play on a Saturday morning at the Cage.”

If last Monday was any indication of the heart and drive the Indians in green possessed, Welsh could be on to something.

“We intimidate many teams with our loud communication on defense and give teams a lot of trouble with our variety of different defenses,” said Lexie Orszulak, who knocked in five points and added 13 rebounds and three assists. “Along with passing well on offense, we pass well in the press and have so many options out of our presses that it’s hard to consistently stop us when being pressed.”

Although both are Division 4 schools, North Brookfield plays in the Worcester County League and is hoping to better their 8-13 record from last year, make a return visit to Districts and ideally advance a bit further than last year.

With only two seniors gone and the rest of the team returning, they may be young, but these Indians in purple have a lot of determination to improve and has a coach who has seen the potential to guide them to great things.

“I think our season looks promising as we have a lot of young talent that have played together the past several years and have really developed and matured on the court,” said North Brookfield head girls’ basketball



Ware's Amelia Bonnayer challenges North Brookfield's Madison Didonato.

coach Lyndsey Bennett. “Our strength is defense. We have been outrebounding our opponents, which helps limit second chance points where we have struggled in the past.”

Both Indian teams started their match relatively even, until Ware started to set the tone in the second quarter, stretching the score to 22-8 at the half.

Things really exploded for the visitors after the break when Ware had a 15-point run until North Brookfield eighth grader Evelyn Doe nailed a three-pointer and the only points for her team in the third quarter with under a minute left.

On a statistical note, North Brookfield came back in the fourth and outscored Ware 16-9, but unfortunately it was too little too

late for it to make a difference.

“Standouts for the home team were Daige with 12 points, Doe with eight, Serenity Ayala with eight rebounds, five steals and six blocks and Brianna Quilitzsch with nine rebounds. The loss dropped their overall record to 1-2.

Making noise on the Ware side were Welsh with her 12 points, Vadnais (11 rebounds) and LaValley following with 10, and Chelsea Orszulak helping with 10 rebounds and three assists.

“The key for us was to get meaningful contributions from all of the players and we did,” stated Orszulak, who was pleased to earn the first win in their first regular season game.



# Education

## Quabbin Regional High School lists Honor Roll

BARRE — Quabbin Regional High School (QRHS) announces the first trimester honor roll.

Students in grade 9 who attained high honors: Brynn Adams, Lily Carlson, Tyler Clark, Brooke Dennis, Hailey Judd, Noah Keagle, Katherine McMenemy, Brianna Pascale, Abigail Ramsey, Rebecca Siegel, Olivia Smith, Landen Strazdas, Quinn Trumbull-Olsen, Aiden Welch and Andrea Zereski.

Students in grade 9 who attained honors: Summer Barringer, Kaitlyn Bibik, Nathan Breuer, Shea Castriotta, Savannah Cote, Liam Doherty, Morgan Gabrenas, Keagan Gillis, Lauren Haddad, Jordan Hayes, Hannah Hebert, Geneva Herzog, Ashlyn Hicks, William Hood, Delanie Kennan, Reygan Lapati, Nathaniel Laursen, Zoey Lenahan, Harrison Lewis, Jamie Mailloux, Jacqueline Marcinkiewicz, Julia Mendrek, Kenny Nguyen, Angelina Riendeau, Skyler Rudinski, Brielle Sanderson, Olivia Sands, Claudio Santoro, Grace St. Louis, Amelia Stevenson, Kyle Vander Baan, Kelsea Veilleux, Nicholas Warburton, Alison Weiderman, Colton Wells and Emma Wilk.

Students in grade 10 who

attained high honors: Remy Benoit-Smith, Naomi Borezo, Roman Cerezo, Gretel DiMauro, Hannah Dowd, Kyrsten DuBois, Ava Frost, Gemma Gabrielli, Nicholas Garland, Emma Gatulis, Connor Geary, Mikala Guthrie, Cedar Jenkins, Jorji LaViolette, Madison Leroux, Alexandria Lyden, Emily Marrone, Carissa McKee, Joely McKelvie, Maren Prenosil, Jack Renaud, Frederick Smith, Daniel Sweeney, Andrew Twarog, Connor Walling-Murphy, Madison Whitney, Marlena Word and Emmet Wright.

Students in grade 10 who attained honors: Colin Arnold, Alexandre Balzora-Rivert, Leah Baxter, Raiden Bousquet, Samuel Bray, Isabel Brown, Isabel Chase, James Cofski, Margaret Cremins, Fawn Disley, Bridget Dresser, Aiden Earle, Brett Earle, Brianna Earle, Julia Erickson, Jessica Forsyth, Ariana Giardina, Mckenzie Gillon, Mayzie Gould, Meghan Haupt, Robert Howden, Jamison Howland, Lars Jenkins, Isabella Johnson, Aiden King, Benjamin Laflash, Carley LeBlanc, Andrew Lefevre, Ian Lefevre, Ashley Leighton, Nicholas Lucia, Jacob Luukko, Mercedesc McHugh, Katelynn McMeekin, Lennon

Morin, Rylee Murch, Peyton Nye, Lauren Olson, Angelina Ovitt, Adreanna Peterson, Aidan Prentiss, Alexander Raymond, Shalyn Royer, Jaylin Santos, Ella Sheldon, Sophia Spier, Marc St. Germain, Rachael Strom, Meadow Taylor, Julie Tower, Kevin Tran, Michelle Tremblay, Olivia Ure and Cannon Wilder.

Students in grade 11 who attained high honors: Sydney Bolger, Madison Boyer, Camden Dyer, Katrina Kinnear, Serena LaPete, Emma Ljungberg, Kara Orsini, Olivia Pascale and Jillian Stafford.

Students in grade 11 who attained honors: Mattison Albano, Matthew Aremburg, Carly Bishop-O'Connor, Ryan Castriotta, Eli Cerezo, Abigail Cook, Lily Dion, Emma Doyle, Thomas Doyle, Emma Goewey, Michael Grout, Samuel Hicks, Benjamin Hood, Isabella Howard, Kathryn Keagle, Tristan Kemp, Nathan Legare, Shea Lindley, Mycenna Loescher, Zackariah Maxwell, Kacey McCreadie, Sarah McMenemy, Alison Michalik, Gabriel Noel, William Ordnung, Nicholas Puchalski, Riley Rischitelli, Rebecca Saarinen, Kyle Schultz, Olivia

Valeri, Ailee Vasseur, Maya Weiderman and Emma Willett.

Students in grade 12 who attained high honors: Cedulie Benoit-Smith, Anna Berd, Haven Bishop Papierski, Tori Crevier, Connor Foreman, Adam Helfenbein, Cecilia Januszewski, Croix Jenkins, Robert Leroux, Hannah Perron, Isabella Quink, Emmeline Riendeau, Emily Toupin, Elliot Walsh and Morgan Whitney.

Students in grade 12 who attained honors: Brent Amidon, Joshua Boucher, Cassie Broberg, Tanner Buoniconti, Rebecca Chilton, Samuel Coppolino, Connor Dowgiewicz, Lillie Eaton, Meaghan Ennis, Morgan Fleischer, Brynne Goodfield, Sierra Graves, Shaemus Harper, Dylan Hoekstra, Ward Holloway, Eric Jackson, Hector Johnson, Michael Kasheta, Sophie Kiley, Olivia Lapati, Jenna Lindhorst, Lauren Lomax, Mya Malone, Abigail Marsh, Alisha Martineau, Liam Nguyen, Avery Oldakowski, Ryan Paterson, Grace Pellegrino, Samantha Prentiss, Jasmine Rocheleau, Helena Shampine, Alexa Siciliano, Kaitlin Thompson, Alexia Topor, Ava Walker, Lauren Wojcik and Ashlyn Zajac.

## QCC works to meet demand for skilled dental assistants

WORCESTER – There is an evolution in the dental world as more innovative technological advances are happening in the field of dentistry. Yet while technology is advancing, dentists in the region are experiencing a shortage of dental assistants; particularly those with advanced skill sets.

Quinsigamond Community College's (QCC) dental education programs have been working to meet this need by tailoring programs that deliver highly trained dental assistants to the workplace. This year the college opened a new dental lab that offers QCC dental assistant and hygienist students the opportunity to work on state-of-the-art dental equipment used in dental materials labs across the region.

"This lab is part of QCC's efforts to address Greater Worcester's need for dental health care by creating a workforce of skilled clinicians in the field of dental hygiene and dental assisting," said chairman of the Worcester District Dental Society, George E. Maloney, D.M.D.

Dr. Brandon Cairo, of Worcester, is working with QCC instructors to help teach the college's dental assisting students the ins and outs of what it means to be a quality dental assistant. He said the new lab is a great way for students to gain exposure to the latest in dental technology. According to Dr. Cairo, this type of hands-on education makes QCC's dental assistants more valuable when they enter the marketplace, by having more skill sets than their contemporaries.

QCC's new lab equipment includes CAD/CAM technology; digital cameras, a milling machine that can make crowns; a high-tech scanner; staining unit and oven and other cutting-edge dental equipment gives students the ability to become proficient on equipment they might one day be using in a dental office.

"The less I have to teach (dental assistants) the more valuable they are to me. Sometimes assistants bring skill sets to the office that a dentist doesn't have," Dr. Cairo said. "They command a pay that's better than average and increases their worth as employees. This program here at QCC is a good one, that's why I teach it."

According to the state's Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development, the number of Massachusetts dental assistant jobs is projected to grow by

12.5 percent over a 10-year period ending in 2022. The pay scale for dental assistants is also on the rise. The website, DentalCareersEDU.org noted that on average a dental assistant in Central Massachusetts makes \$45,074, while an experienced assistant, on average, makes \$50,561.

"In New England there is a definite need for dental assistants. Most weeks I get at least two calls or emails from dentists looking for dental assistants," said Jennifer McKeon, coordinator of QCC's Dental Assisting program.

In addition to working in the lab, QCC's dental assistants do externships working in both general dental offices and specialty offices. The students also work on community-based service projects such as the KidSeal Program, which provides free dental care, including dental screenings, prophylaxis, radiographs, oral health education and fluoride varnish, to elementary school-aged children at schools in the greater Worcester area.

"You learn so much more here," said current dental assisting student Taylor Handson.

As the only accredited program in Worcester County, QCC's one-year Dental Assisting program is accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA), which is nationally recognized by the United States Department of Education as the sole agency to accredit dental and dental-related education programs conducted at the post-secondary level. Upon graduation, QCC dental assisting students will be prepared to take the Dental Assisting National Board examination in order to achieve the Certified Dental Assistant designation.

"Accreditation also commands a higher salary," McKeon said.

For more information about QCC, people may contact Josh Martin, director of institutional communications at 508-854-7513 or jmartin@qcc.mass.edu.

Quinsigamond Community College provides the community with high quality, affordable higher education in Worcester County. As a regional leader in education and workforce development, QCC serves the diverse educational needs of Central Massachusetts by providing affordable, accessible and high quality programming leading to transfer, career and life-long learning.

### COLLEGE NEWS

#### Notcheva receives bachelor's degree from UMass Amherst

AMHERST – Approximately 320 students received Bachelors Degrees from the University of Massachusetts Amherst September, 2019. Valentina Ivaylova Notcheva of Rutland received a bachelor's degree.

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## Gardner Rotary Club donates to MWCC Foundation

GARDNER – Mount Wachusett Community College (MWCC) received a generous \$2,000 donation from The Rotary Club of the Greater Gardner Area.

Rotary president-elect Michael Ellis and vice-president elect Carol Chellis were on hand to present the check to MWCC president Dr. James Vander Hooven, and MWCC Foundation executive director Carla Zottoli.

"We are thankful for the on-going support of the Gardner Rotary Club," stated Vander Hooven, "Additionally, the annual auction gives our students the opportunity to participate in a large-production, live broadcast."

The annual TV auction will be broadcast live on Local Cable Access Channel 9 and streaming on www.mwcc.edu/LiveTV on Feb. 28, 2020 from 6-10 p.m. and on Saturday, Feb. 29, 2020 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.



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**Members of the Rotary Club of Gardner donate \$2,000 to the Mount Wachusett Community College Foundation. Shown from left are Rotary president-elect Michael Ellis, MWCC president James Vander Hooven, MWCC Foundation executive director Carla Zottoli and Rotary vice-president elect Carol Chellis.**

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"Josh has the ability to make the three point shot," Cebula said. "We've been lacking an outside shooter, so he's a very good weapon to have."

Junior guard Ethan Schwartz scored eight of his 14 points, which was also a career-high, during the second half.

"Ethan is a wing guard and he's capable of getting into the lane," Cebula said. "He's very quick and he can make lay-ups."

Senior forward Malik Serisser scored a career-high 10 points.

Senior guard Tyler Goncalves added nine points for the home team in his first career varsity game.

Goncalves, and Serisser, along with senior guard Nick Teixeira (4 points), and senior center Mike Riley (2 points) also played very well defensively.

The Lions held a 19-2 lead at the end of the opening quarter. The trio of Hurst, Schwartz, and Serisser combined to score 18 of those points.

The only made field goal by the Pioneers during the first quarter was an inside hoop by 6-foot-5 sophomore forward Colin Doktor (5 points).

"The first quarter was a killer for us. We just couldn't put the ball into the basket," said first-year Pathfinder head coach David Oliveira. "We did score 14 unanswered points at the start of the second quarter, but we could never get over the hump. We're looking forward to playing Ludlow again at the end of the regular season."

Oliveira, who had been the Pioneers junior varsity coach for the past six years, replaced Kevin Lynch as the varsity coach.

"I coached all of these kids at the junior varsity level," Oliveira said. "I had a winning record each year that I coached the j.v. team."

A field goal by senior guard



Photos by David Henry [www.sweetdogphotos.com](http://www.sweetdogphotos.com)  
**Nick Beaulieu surveys the perimeter.**

Mathias Wilke, who led the Pioneers with 14 points, started the second quarter run.

Two more baskets by senior forward's Sam St. Laurent (5 points) and Alex Bergeron (9 points) closed the gap to 19-12. Wilke kept the run alive by burying a pair of 3-pointers from the right corner.

The Pioneers got as close as 19-16 before the Lions put-together a 13-4 run during the final three minutes of the first half. Hurst scored eight of those points with the help of two 3-pointers.

After trailing by 12 points at halftime (32-20), Pathfinder began the third quarter with a foul-line jumper by senior guard Zach Menard, which were his only points, and a Bergeron 3-pointer from the left corner slicing the



**Mathias Wilke gets ready to drive the hoop.**

deficit to 32-25 with 5:35 left in the third quarter.

Just like they did in the first half, the Lions pulled away with a 15-4 run giving them a commanding 47-30 lead.

The home team put the nail in the coffin with a 13-0 run in the middle of the fourth quarter.

Ludlow held a 64-38 lead with 3:25 remaining in regulation following an old fashion three point play by senior forward Anthony Fortune, which were his only points.

Mathias and senior guard Isaiha Perez hit 3pointers during the final minute for the Pioneers, but the Lions players did all of the celebrating on this night

The two teams are scheduled to meet again at Pathfinder on February 10.

### WRESTLING, continued from page 9

and C.J. Podkowka (138 lbs), along with sophomore Jacob Luukko (160 lbs), also have been looking promising in practice.

"The strength of our team is that we have a great group of kids who are willing to put in the work and look to improve both in practice and competition," shared Adams. "We will have to work on skill throughout the season and finding identities for all wrestlers which they can improve."

The team was put to the test on Dec. 14 when they traveled to St. John's in Shrewsbury and faced Weymouth, St. John's and Keefe Tech, going 0-2-1, tying with Keefe Tech.

"With it being the first quad of the season, the younger and inexperienced wrestlers had to get some jitters and nerves out in order to progress," commented Adams. "I feel that it showed we have wrestlers who go after it, no matter what, but it also showed some of the things we need to work on."

Kemp was the only Panther who went 3-0 that day, winning all of his contests.

A few days later it was off to Northboro where Quabbin fell to Algonquin last Wednesday, 36-18.

"Algonquin is always a well coached and tough team," Adams said. "They have many wrestlers who should do well this year and they are a very sound team with some depths at weights."

Despite the loss, Quabbin did

earn four wins in the match, including two pins by Kemp and Luukko and two wins by decision from Stogitis and Cole Wilson (106 lbs).

"My match was good, it was about a minute long," commented Kemp. "I can definitely feel how much stronger I've gotten as it's easier to take control of my opponents and I have a lot more moves I can use."

Adams was pleased to have seen his wrestlers improve from the St. John's meet, using things they learned from Saturday against Algonquin.

"I believe our young wrestlers are beginning to catch on," said Adams. "It is a long season and I always tell the wrestlers that it is not how you start a season, but how you finish."







# Public Safety

## Rutland Police Log

**Thursday, Nov. 7**  
10:56 a.m. Fire, Medical  
Emergency River Road –  
Transported to Hospital  
1:38 p.m. Harassing/Annoying  
Phone Calls Bushy Lane – Officer  
Spoke to Party  
2:32 p.m. Motor Vehicle Accident  
Main Street – Report Filed  
3:03 p.m. Fire, Medical  
Emergency Glenwood Road –  
Transported to Hospital  
4:55 p.m. Fire, Medical  
Emergency Barrack Hill Road –  
Referred to Other Agency

**Friday, Nov. 8**  
7:59 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Main Street – Citation Issued  
9:33 a.m. Fire, Medical  
Emergency Joanna Drive –  
Transported to Hospital  
10:22 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Barre Paxton Road – Citation Issued  
11:33 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Maple Avenue – Citation Issued  
1:24 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Main Street – Citation Issued  
2:16 p.m. Fire, Medical  
Emergency Juniper Lane –  
Transported to Hospital  
5:46 p.m. Fire, Medical  
Emergency Main Street –  
Transported to Hospital  
8:27 p.m. Serve Warrant Philips  
Avenue – Arrest(s) Made  
Arrest: Keith C. Duesberg, 31,  
Rutland  
Warrant

**Saturday, Nov. 9**  
9:19 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Main Street – Vehicle Towed  
Summons: Timothy P.  
MacDonald, 52, Fitchburg  
License Suspended, Operate  
Motor Vehicle With; Uninsured Motor  
Vehicle  
10:26 a.m. Vandalism  
Laurelwood Road – Officer Spoke  
to Party  
4:38 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Maple Avenue – Arrest(s) Made  
Arrest: Timothy E. Sheridan, 25,  
Rutland  
OUI-Drugs; Inspection/Sticker,  
No; Marked Lanes Violation  
10:28 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Main Street – Citation Issued  
11:26 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Maple Avenue – Written Warning

**Sunday, Nov. 10**  
4:43 a.m. Motor Vehicle Accident  
No Fire/EMS Response East County  
Road – Officer Spoke to Party  
10:58 a.m. Property Damage  
Barre Paxton Road – Report Filed  
3 p.m. Fire, Medical Emergency  
Bushy Lane – Transported to  
Hospital  
3:33 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
East County Road – Citation Issued  
3:55 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Maple Avenue – Citation Issued  
4:10 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Barre Paxton Road – Citation Issued  
8:27 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
East County Road – Written Warning

**Monday, Nov. 11**  
11:15 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Barre Paxton Road – Citation Issued  
12:28 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Barre Paxton Road – Arrest(s) Made  
Arrest: Angel Taipe-Camas, 36,  
Milford  
Unlicensed Operation of Motor  
Vehicle; Inspection/Sticker, No;  
Straight Warrant

**Tuesday, Nov. 12**  
7:32 a.m. Fire, Medical  
Emergency Bushy Lane –  
Transported to Hospital  
8:43 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Main Street – Citation Issued  
9:59 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Maple Avenue – Criminal Complaint  
Summons: Sean V. Dedefuis, 47,  
Rutland  
License Suspended, Operate  
Motor Vehicle With  
11:07 a.m. Fire, Medical  
Emergency Turkey Hill Trail –  
Transported to Hospital

**Wednesday, Nov. 13**  
2:12 a.m. Assault Barre Paxton  
Road – Officer Spoke to Party  
6:11 a.m. Fire, Medical  
Emergency Ten Rod Road –  
Transported to Hospital  
7:12 a.m. Fire, Medical  
Emergency Main Street –  
Transported to Hospital  
6 p.m. Serve Warrant  
Sassawanna Road – Arrest(s) Made  
Arrest: Renee M. Marsolais, 29,  
Rutland  
Warrant; Warrant

**Thursday, Nov. 14**  
8:15 a.m. Motor Vehicle Accident  
Pleasantdale Road – Investigated  
8:41 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Pommogussett Road – Vehicle  
Towed  
9:25 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Main Street – Citation Issued  
11:02 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Barre Paxton Road – Arrest(s) made  
Arrest: Stephen B. Daley, 49,  
Worcester  
License Suspended, Operate  
Motor Vehicle With, Subsequent  
Offense; Marked Lanes Violation;  
Warrant  
5:34 p.m. Motor Vehicle Accident  
Personal Injury Barre Paxton Road –  
Vehicle Towed  
11:06 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Main Street – Citation Issued

**Friday, Nov. 15**  
1:52 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Worcester Road – Citation Issued

3:53 a.m. Building/Property  
Check Main Street – Written Warning  
4:04 a.m. Parking Violation Edith  
Lane – Written Warning  
4:08 a.m. Parking Violation Karen  
Way – Written Warning  
4:15 a.m. Parking Violation  
Briarwood Road – Written Warning  
4:19 a.m. Parking Violatin  
Oakridge Drive – Written Warning  
4:21 a.m. Parking Violation  
Juniper Lane – Written Warning  
4:22 a.m. Parking Violation  
Juniper Lane – Written Warning  
7:42 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Main Street – Arrest(s) Made  
Arrest: Elmer Pineda, 32,  
Marlboro  
Unlicensed Operation of Motor  
Vehicle  
8:58 a.m. Illegal Dumping Main  
Street – Officer Spoke to Party  
9:41 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Barre Paxton Road – Vehicle Towed  
2:41 p.m. Fire, Medical  
Emergency Main Street –  
Transported to Hospital  
5:29 p.m. Threats Crawford Road  
– Officer Spoke to Party

**Saturday, Nov. 16**  
1:37 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Barre Paxton Road – Citation Issued  
2:06 a.m. Community Policing  
Forest Hill – Written Warning  
2:16 a.m. Community Policing  
Inwood Road – Written Warning  
2:33 a.m. Parking Violation  
Autumn Wood Drive – Written  
Warning  
2:35 a.m. Parking Violation  
Autumn Wood Drive – Written  
Warning  
2:36 p.m. Parking Violation  
Skyline Drive – Written Warning  
2:40 a.m. Parking Violation  
Hickory Drive – Written Warning  
2:47 a.m. Parking Violation  
Wildbrook Drive – Written Warning  
10:42 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Pleasantdale Road – Arrest(s) Made  
Jarrod A. Borey, 39, Swanzey, NH  
License Suspended, Operate  
Motor Vehicle With, Subsequent  
Offense  
5:19 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Pleasantdale Road – Written  
Warning

**Sunday, Nov. 17**  
2 a.m. Parking Violation Prouty  
Lane – Written Warning  
2:01 a.m. Parking Violation  
Prouty Lane – Written Warning  
2:04 a.m. Parking Violation  
Prouty Lane – Written Warning  
2:05 a.m. Parking Violation  
Blueberry Lane – Written Warning  
2:08 a.m. Parking Violation Valley  
View Circle – Written Warning  
2:09 a.m. Parking Violation Valley  
View Circle – Written Warning  
2:09 a.m. Parking Violation  
Fernwood Drive – Written Warning  
2:11 a.m. Parking Violation Valley  
View Circle – Written Warning  
2:12 a.m. Parking Violation Valley  
View Circle – Written Warning  
2:13 a.m. Parking Violation  
Fernwood Drive – Written Warning  
2:18 a.m. Parking Violation  
Briarwood Road – Written Warning  
2:34 a.m. Parking Violation Nick  
Alan Circle – Written Warning  
2:36 a.m. Parking Violation Nick  
Alan Circle – Written Warning  
2:37 a.m. Parking Violation Nick  
Alan Circle – Written Warning  
2:38 a.m. Parking Violation Nick  
Alan Circle – Written Warning  
2:41 a.m. Parking Violation Olivia  
Lane – Written Warning  
2:44 a.m. Parking Violation  
Nancy Drive – Written Warning  
2:48 a.m. Parking Violation Blair  
Drive – Written Warning  
2:50 a.m. Parking Violation Blair  
Drive – Written Warning  
2:58 a.m. Parking Violation  
Oakridge Drive – Written Warning  
3:02 a.m. Parking Violation  
Briarwood Road – Written Warning  
3:09 a.m. Parking Violation  
Fernwood Drive – Written Warning  
9:36 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Hillside Road – Written Warning  
10:36 a.m. Property Damage  
Julie Ann Circle – Officer Spoke to  
Party  
11:48 a.m. Property Damage  
Kalloch Drive – Officer Spoke to  
Party

**Monday, Nov. 18**  
1:58 a.m. Fire, Mutual Aid  
Ambulance Hubbardston –  
Information Given  
8:46 a.m. Fire, Medical  
Emergency Wachusett Street –  
Transported to Hospital  
2:17 p.m. Fire, Medical  
Emergency Glenwood Road – Public  
Assist  
11:48 a.m. Property Damage  
Kalloch Drive – Officer Spoke to  
Party

**Tuesday, Nov. 19**  
6 a.m. Fire, Medical Emergency  
Blair Drive – Transported to Hospital  
8:37 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Main Street – Citation Issued  
3:52 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Main Street – Written Warning  
4:27 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Pleasantdale Road – Written  
Warning  
4:46 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Pleasantdale Road – Written  
Warning  
5:41 p.m. Fire, Medical  
Emergency Main Street – Services  
Rendered  
5:48 p.m. Fire, Medical  
Emergency Main Street –  
Transported to Hospital  
5:49 p.m. Larceny Glenwood  
Road – Report Filed

Wednesday, Nov. 20  
2:33 a.m. Parking Violation  
Brunelle Drive – Written Warning  
2:41 a.m. Parking Violation Vista  
Circle – Written Warning  
2:45 a.m. Parking Violation  
Clealand Circle – Written Warning  
2:53 a.m. Parking Violation Vista  
Circle – Written Warning  
7:25 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Main Street – Criminal Complaint  
Summons: John S. Caruso, 29,  
South Barre  
Registration Suspended, Operate  
Motor Vehicle With; Registration Not  
in Possession  
9:07 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Main Street – Criminal Complaint  
11:45 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Maple Avenue – Vehicle Towed  
11:45 a.m. Motor Vehicle  
Accident Personal Injury Main Street  
– Report Filed  
1:18 p.m. Fire, Medical  
Emergency Main Street –  
Transported to Hospital  
3:04 p.m. Larceny Highland Park  
Road – Report Filed  
8:33 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Pommogussett Road – Citation  
Issued

**Thursday, Nov. 21**  
7:14 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Maple Avenue – Citation Issued  
7:30 a.m. Property Damage Main  
Street – Officer Spoke to Party  
9:19 a.m. Fire, Medical  
Emergency Wachusett Street –  
Transported to Hospital  
10:35 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Pleasantdale Road – Citation Issued  
3:20 p.m. Threats Main Street –  
Report Filed

**Friday, Nov. 22**  
3:01 a.m. Parking Violation  
Haven Hill Road – Written Warning  
3:03 a.m. Parking Violation  
Haven Hill Road – Written Warning  
3:05 a.m. Parking Violation  
Haven Hill Road – Written Warning  
8:01 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Main Street – Citation Issued  
10:31 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Kenwood Drive – Citation Issued  
11:29 a.m. Fire, Medical  
Emergency Maple Avenue –  
Transported to Hospital  
1:13 p.m. Unattended Death  
Maple Avenue – Report Filed

**Saturday, Nov. 23**  
7:27 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Main Street – Criminal Complaint  
7:58 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Wachusett Street – Criminal  
Complaint  
8:20 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Pommogussett Road – Arrest(s)  
Made  
Arrest: Satta M. Cooper, 27,  
Worcester  
Straight Warrant  
7:30 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Pommogussett Road – Arrest(s)  
Made

Arrest: Laurieann Redman, 45,  
Gardner  
Straight Warrant; License  
Suspended, Operate Motor Vehicle  
With; Marked Lanes Violation  
7:45 p.m. Fire, Medical  
Emergency Irish Lane – Transported  
to Hospital

**Sunday, Nov. 24**  
4:36 p.m. Serve Warrant Cedar  
Avenue – Arrest(s) Made  
8:11 p.m. Harassment Locke  
Road – Investigated

**Monday, Nov. 25**  
2:38 a.m. Parking Violation Valley  
View Circle – Written Warning  
2:39 a.m. Parking Violation  
Forest Hill Drive – Written Warning  
2:44 a.m. Parking Violation  
Highland Park Road – Written  
Warning  
2:46 a.m. Parking Violation  
Highland Park Road – Written  
Warning  
2:47 a.m. Parking Violation  
Britney Drive – Written Warning  
3:54 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Pleasantdale Road – Written  
Warning

**Tuesday, Nov. 26**  
8:20 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Main Street – Citation Issued  
8:42 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Main Street – Criminal Complaint  
9:26 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Main Street – Citation Issued  
10:41 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Barre Paxton Road – Citation Issued  
1:28 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Barre Paxton Road – Criminal  
Complaint  
4:49 p.m. Assault Pommogussett  
Road – Peace Restored  
7:56 p.m. Disturbance, Person(s)  
Main Street – Report Filed

**Wednesday, Nov. 27**  
12:23 a.m. Fire, Medical  
Emergency Pleasantdale Road –  
Transported to Hospital  
2:29 a.m. Parking Violation  
Nancy Drive – Written Warning  
2:32 a.m. Parking Violation  
Juniper Lane – Written Warning  
2:51 a.m. Parking Violation  
Forest Hill Drive – Written Warning  
2:54 a.m. Parking Violation  
Brunelle Drive – Written Warning  
2:57 a.m. Parking Violation  
Brunelle Drive – Written Warning  
3:01 a.m. Parking Violation  
Brunelle Drive – Written Warning  
11:38 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Maple Avenue – Written Warning  
11:39 a.m. Animal Bite Maple

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## Oakham Police Log

**Sunday, Dec. 1**  
11:36 a.m. Fire, Medical  
Emergency Gaffney Road –  
Transported to Hospital

**Monday, Dec. 2**  
10:33 a.m. Serve Warrant Hunt  
Road – Arrest(s) Made  
Arrest: John P. Mitko, 46, Oakham  
Warrant

**Tuesday, Dec. 3**  
7:36 a.m. Fire, Medical  
Emergency Barre Paxton Road –  
Negative Contact  
9:50 a.m. Fire, Medical  
Emergency East Hill Road –  
Transported to Hospital

**Wednesday, Dec. 4**  
8:08 a.m. Fire, Medical  
Emergency Old Turnpike Road –  
Referred to Other Agency  
2:08 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Worcester Road – Citation Issued  
7:57 p.m. Fire, Medical

Emergency Hunt Road – Transported  
to Hospital

**Thursday, Dec. 5**  
8:57 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Old  
Turnpike Road – Written Warning

**Friday, Dec. 6**  
2:27 p.m. Disturbance, Person(s)  
Bullard Road – Officer Spoke to Party

**Saturday, Dec. 7**  
3:15 p.m. Fire, Medical  
Emergency North Brookfield Road –  
Referred to Other Agency

**Sunday, Dec. 8**  
9:32 a.m. Motor Vehicle Accident  
No Fire/EMS Response – Citation  
Issued  
12:16 p.m. Larceny Millbury –  
Officer Spoke to Party

**Monday, Dec. 9**  
11:56 p.m. 911 Transfer North

Brookfield Road – Call Transferred

**Tuesday, Dec. 10**  
9:52 a.m. Fire, Medical  
Emergency Ware Corner Road –  
Referred to Other Agency

**Wednesday, Dec. 11**  
7:17 a.m. Property Damage New  
Braintree Road – Message Delivered  
2:02 p.m. Fire, Medical  
Emergency Old Turnpike Road –  
Referred to Other Agency

**Thursday, Dec. 12**  
1:31 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Spencer Road – Citation Issued

**Friday, Dec. 13**  
11:29 a.m. Disturbance, Person(s)  
North Brookfield Road – Investigated  
5:57 p.m. Fire, Medical  
Emergency Rutland Road – Referred  
to Other Agency

## Hubbardston Police Log

**Sunday, Dec. 1**  
10:14 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Gardner Road – Citation Issued  
9:47 p.m. Motor Vehicle Accident  
No Fire/EMS Response Worcester  
Road – No Action Required

Monday, Dec. 2  
3:22 a.m. Fire, Medical  
Emergency Pitcherville Road –  
Referred to Other Agency  
7:50 a.m. Motor Vehicle Accident  
No Fire/EMS Response New  
Templeton Road – Vehicle Towed  
12:23 p.m. Fire, Medical  
Emergency Lombard Road –  
Transported to Hospital  
1:08 p.m. Fire, Medical  
Emergency Gardner Road –  
Transported to Hospital  
9:17 p.m. Fire, Smoke  
Investigation Twin Hill Road –  
Investigated

**Tuesday, Dec. 3**  
7:44 a.m. Fire, Medical  
Emergency Mayo Road – Referred to  
Other Agency  
10:26 a.m. Motor Vehicle Accident  
No Fire/EMS Response Main Street –  
Report Filed  
11:23 p.m. Fire, Medical  
Emergency Dogwood South Road –  
Transported to Hospital

**Wednesday, Dec. 4**  
7:20 a.m. Fire, Auto/Car

New Westminster Road – Fire  
Extinguished  
10:14 p.m. Motor Vehicle Accident  
No Fire/EMS Response Gardner  
Road – Investigated  
2:57 p.m. Serve Warrant Mohwak  
Drive – Arrest(s) Made  
Arrest: Sarah L. Croce, 33,  
Hubbardston  
Warrant  
7:34 p.m. Fire, Medical  
Emergency Elm Street – Transported  
to Hospital

**Thursday, Dec. 5**  
3:34 p.m. Fire, Medical  
Emergency Madison Way –  
Transported to Hospital

**Friday, Dec. 6**  
5:50 a.m. Motor Vehicle Accident  
No Fire/EMS Response Gardner  
Road – Officer Spoke to Party  
12:38 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Gardner Road – Written Warning  
1:27 p.m. Motor Vehicle Accident  
Evergreen Road – Investigated  
2:48 p.m. Motor Vehicle Accident  
Worcester Road – Transported to  
Hospital  
5:55 p.m. Burglary/Breaking and  
Entering Mount Jefferson Road –  
Investigated  
9:22 p.m. Fire, Medical  
Emergency Burnshirt Road –  
Transported to Hospital

**Saturday, Dec. 7**  
7:14 a.m. Fire, CO Alarm Old  
Princeton Road – Investigated  
10:23 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Worcester Road – Criminal Complaint  
8:30 p.m. Fire, Medical  
Emergency Ragged Hill Road –  
Transported to Hospital  
10:13 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Gardner Road – Report Filed

**Sunday, Dec. 8**  
6:51 a.m. Fire, Structure Hale  
Road – Fire Extinguished

**Monday, Dec. 9**  
4:05 a.m. Fire, Medical  
Emergency Old Princeton Cutoff  
Road – Referred to Other Agency  
8:33 a.m. Fire, Medical  
Emergency Gardner Road –  
Transported to Hospital

**Wednesday, Dec. 11**  
6:23 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop  
Gardner Road – Arrest(s) Made

**Friday, Dec. 13**  
1:32 a.m. Motor Vehicle Accident  
High Bridge Road – Transported to  
Hospital

**Saturday, Dec. 14**  
8:48 p.m. Officer Wanted New  
Templeton Road – Located/Found

**Wednesday, Dec. 11**  
9:58 p.m. 911 – Medical  
Emergency Hardwick Road –  
Transported to Hospital  
10:15 p.m. 911 – Disabled Motor  
Vehicle Ravine Road – Services  
Rendered

**Thursday, Dec. 12**  
4:10 p.m. Initiated – Motor Vehicle  
Stop Hardwick Road – Written  
Warning  
4:31 p.m. Initiated – Motor Vehicle  
Stop Hardwick Road – Written  
Warning

**Saturday, Dec. 14**  
3:08 p.m. 911 – Hang-up Call  
Memorial Drive – Negative Contact  
9:37 p.m. Initiated – Motor Vehicle  
Stop West Street – Written Warning

## New Braintree Police Log

**Monday, Nov. 25**  
12:30 p.m. Phone – Investigation  
Memorial Drive – Vehicle Towed

**Wednesday, Nov. 27**  
11:42 p.m. Initiated – Motor  
Vehicle Stop Hardwick Road –  
Citation Issued

**Friday, Nov. 29**  
6:04 p.m. Initiated – Motor Vehicle  
Stop Barre Road – Citation Issued

**Saturday, Nov. 30**  
9:49 a.m. 911 – Phone Calls –  
Taken Referred to Other Agency

**Sunday, Dec. 1**  
5:29 a.m. Initiated – Motor Vehicle  
Investigation Ravine Road – Arrest(s)  
Made

**Monday, Dec. 2**  
6:32 p.m. 911 – Motor Vehicle  
Accident Barre Road – Report Taken

**Tuesday, Dec. 3**  
7:08 p.m. 911 – Medical  
Emergency West Brookfield Road –  
Transported to Hospital

**Wednesday, Dec. 4**  
6:31 a.m. Phone – Larceny/Theft/  
Shoplifting Gilbertville Road – Report  
Taken  
12:43 p.m. Phone – Trespass  
Dennis Whitney Road – Spoken To  
3:51 p.m. 911 – Animal Call Barre  
Road – Services Rendered  
8:37 p.m. Phone – Motor Vehicle  
Accident Barr Road – Services  
Rendered

**Thursday, Dec. 5**  
8:30 p.m. 911 – Unattended Death  
Barre Cut Off Road – Spoken To

**Friday, Dec. 6**  
9:09 a.m. 911 – Assist Citizen  
Dennis Whitney Road – Spoken To

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# Public Notices

### NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Premises: 390 Coldbrook Road, Oakham MA 01068

By virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Matthew Wisniewski to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as Nominee for Guaranteed Rate, Inc. and now held by NewRez LLC f/k/a New Penn Financial, LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing, said mortgage dated June 16, 2017, and recorded in the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds in Book 57275, Page 115 and re-recorded in said Registry in Book 57276, Page 246, as affected by an Assignment of Mortgage dated June 18, 2019, and recorded with said Deeds in Book 60616 at Page 78, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions in said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction on **January 16, 2020, at 11:00 AM** Local Time upon the premises, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

A certain parcel of land situated on the east side of Coldbrook Road in Oakham, Worcester County, Massachusetts and being shown as Lot IA on a plan of land owned by William Neal Wareing, Jr. and Cynthia A. Palley, dated March 10, 1999 by Donald A. Para, Land Surveying

Inc., recorded with the Worcester County Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 739, Plan 61, bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at an MDC bound at the north-west of parcel to be described on the east side of Coldbrook Road and being the southwest corner of land now or formerly of the Metropolitan District Commission (MDC);

THENCE S. 78 degrees 52' 55" E. mostly along a stone wall and the MDC land, 600.00 feet to land now or formerly of Amherst-Oakham, Cynthia A. Palley;

THENCE S. 6 degrees 30' 30" E., along land of Cynthia A. Palley, 473.60 feet to a point-

THENCE N. 72 degrees 20' 50" W. along remaining land now or formerly of William Neal Wareing, Jr., 699.31 feet to a point in a stone wall on the east side of Coldbrook Road;

THENCE N. 1 degree 50' 26" E. along the east side of Coldbrook Road, 81.00 feet to a point;

THENCE 4 degrees 10' 00" E. along the east side of Coldbrook Road 294.00 feet to the point of beginning.

CONTAINING an area of 6.040 acres according to plan.

The description of the property contained in the mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

For Mortgagor's Title see deed dated June 16, 2017, and recorded in Book 57276 at Page 243 with the Worcester County

(Worcester District) Registry of Deeds.

**TERMS OF SALE:** Said premises will be sold and conveyed subject to all liens, encumbrances, unpaid taxes, tax titles, municipal liens and assessments, if any, which take precedence over the said mortgage above described.

**TEN THOUSAND** (\$10,000.00) Dollars of the purchase price must be paid in cash, certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check at the time and place of the sale by the purchaser. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid in cash, certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check within forty five (45) days after the date of sale.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

Marinosci Law Group, P.C.  
275 West Natick Road,  
Suite 500  
Warwick, RI 02886  
Attorney for NewRez LLC  
f/k/a New Penn Financial, LLC  
d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing  
Present Holder of the Mortgage  
Telephone: (401) 234-9200  
MLG File No.: 19-03815  
12/26/2019, 1/02, 1/09/2020

### MORTGAGEE'S NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage given by Timothy J. Hester to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee

for Mackinac Savings Bank, FSB, a federal savings bank, its successors and assigns, dated May 12, 2015 and recorded with the Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 53705, Page 98 as affected by a Loan Modification recorded on July 26, 2017 in Said Registry of Deeds at Book 57475, Page 170, subsequently assigned to U.S. Bank National Association by Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Mackinac Savings Bank, FSB, a Federal Savings Bank, its successors and assigns by assignment recorded in said Worcester County (Worcester District) Registry of Deeds at Book 54262, Page 82 for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at Public Auction at **10:00 AM on January 9, 2020** at 835 Wauwinet Road, Barre, MA, all and singular the premises described in said Mortgage, to wit:

A certain parcel of land situated on the southerly side of Wauwinet Road, Barre, being shown as Lot 1 on a plan entitled "Plan of Land in Barre, Massachusetts prepared for Farrow Hill Development, Inc.," dated November 18, 1991, and recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 655, Plan 53, and further described as follows:

Beginning at a point being the northwesterly corner of Lot E-1 on Plan Book

643, Plan 12, and being the northwesterly corner of Lot 1;

Thence S. 70° 56' 30" E. 20.84 feet by Wauwinet Road to a point;

Thence S. 60°43' 54" E. 109.19 feet by the road to a point;

Thence S. 28° 30' 12' W. 314.46 feet by Lot 2 to a point;

Thence N. 62° 30' 38" W. 131.46 feet by land now or formerly of Philip Moss to a point;

Thence, N. 28° 48' 43", E. 314.83 feet by Lot E-1 to the point of beginning.

For title see Bk 53705 Pg 96

The premises are to be sold subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, encroachments, building and zoning laws, liens, unpaid taxes, tax titles, water bills, municipal liens and assessments, rights of tenants and parties in possession, and attorney's fees and costs.

**TERMS OF SALE:** A deposit of FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00 CENTS (\$5,000.00) in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or money order will be required to be delivered at or before the time the bid is offered. The successful bidder will be required to execute a Foreclosure Sale Agreement immediately after the close of the bidding. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid within thirty (30) days from the sale date in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's

check or other check satisfactory to Mortgagee's attorney. The Mortgagee reserves the right to bid at the sale, to reject any and all bids, to continue the sale and to amend the terms of the sale by written or oral announcement made before or during the foreclosure sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication. **TIME WILL BE OF THE ESSENCE.**

**Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.**

U.S. Bank National Association

Present Holder of said Mortgage,

By Its Attorneys,

ORLANS PC  
PO Box 540540  
Waltham, MA 02454  
Phone: (781) 790-7800  
18-013186  
12/19, 12/26/2019, 01/02/2020

A.C. 108A  
**Commonwealth of Massachusetts Worcester, SS PROBATE COURT 225 Main Street Worcester, MA 01608 19P4135PO**

To **Edward Brouillette** an absentee, whose last known address was 18-20 Church Street-Gilbertville,

MA having property in the County of Worcester; to the Treasurer and Receiver General of said Commonwealth; to all persons claiming an interest in the property hereinafter described; and to all whom it may concern.

A petition has been presented to said Court praying that John J. McCarthy Jr. of Grafton in the County of Worcester, or some other suitable person, be appointed receiver of the following described property of said absentee, as follows: 18-20 Church Street-Gilbertville, MA

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Worcester before **ten o'clock in the forenoon on the twenty-eighth day of January 2020**, the return day of this citation.

Witness, Hon. **LEILAH A. KEAMY**, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this nineteenth day of December 2019.

**Stephanie K. Fattman**  
**Register of Probate**  
12/26/2019, 1/02, 1/09/2020

### Sale of Motor Vehicles under MGL Ch 255 Sec 39A

Notice is hereby given by: **Dave's Tow & Transport, Inc** pursuant to the provisions of MGL C.255 sec 39a, that on **January 3, 2020** at 843 Worcester Rd., Barre, MA the following motor vehicle will be sold by private sale to satisfy the garage keeper's lien thereon for storage, towing charges and other

expenses incurred, including sales costs.

**2016 Kawasaki KX250**  
JKAKXMZC6GA034211  
Nicholas M Laraia  
PO Box 511  
S Barre, MA 01074  
12/19, 12/26/2019, 1/02/2020

### ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Barre Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on **Thursday, January 9, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Henry Woods Municipal Selectmen Meeting Room, 1st Floor, 40 West Street, Barre, MA requested by Michael Collins for a variance per Zoning 140-15, lots or parcels not meeting requirements at property located at 55 Eagle Drive, Assessors Map D, Parcel 151 and recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds Book 782, Page 49.

Anyone wishing to comment on this matter should attend the hearing or submit comments in writing prior to the hearing to the Zoning Board of Appeals, Henry Woods Building, 40 West Street – Suite 5, Barre, MA, barreboards@townofbare.com or contact the Boards' Office at 978-355-5000 ext. 7.  
12/19, 12/26/2019



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Avenue – Report Filed

11:54 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Main Street – Citation Issued

12:39 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Barre Paxton Road – Citation Issued

12:59 p.m. Fire, Medical Emergency Richards Avenue – Arrest(s) Made

Arrest: Brian P. Torolo, 34, Shrewsbury

OUI-Liquor or .08%, 2nd Offense; Alcohol in Motor Vehicle, Possess Open Container of; Resist Arrest; Assault and Battery on Police Officer; Marijuana, Open Container

3:35 p.m. Fire, Medical Emergency East County Road – Transported to Hospital

5:43 p.m. Disturbance, Person(s) Barre Paxton Road – Report Filed

8:08 p.m. Fire, Drug Overdose Beechwood Drive – Referred to Other Agency

10:08 p.m. Fire, Medical Emergency Main Street – Transported to Hospital

### Friday, Nov. 29

9:12 a.m. Fire, CO Alarm Intervale Road – Investigated

11:11 a.m. Motor Vehicle Accident Hit and Run Main Street – Officer Spoke to Party

5:36 p.m. Fire, Medical

Emergency Welch Avenue – Transported to Hospital

### Saturday, Nov. 30

6:09 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Barre Paxton Road – Written Warning

11:17 p.m. Fire, Brush Fisherman's Road – Investigated

11:46 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Barre Paxton Road – Arrest(s) Made

### Sunday, Dec. 1

9:26 a.m. Fire, Medical Emergency Pommogussett Road – Transported to Hospital

9:46 a.m. Motor Vehicle Accident Main Street – Vehicle Towed

4:35 p.m. Fire, Medical Emergency Main Street – Transported to Hospital

7:02 p.m. Motor Vehicle Accident Maple Avenue – Vehicle Towed

### Monday, Dec. 2

11:01 a.m. Fire, Medical Emergency Charnock Hill Road – Transported to Hospital

### Tuesday, Dec. 3

12:51 a.m. Motor Vehicle Disabled Bushy Lane – Vehicle Towed  
London, Colin E., 34, Worcester Registration suspended, OP MV with

Uninsured Vehicle  
Unregistered Motor Vehicle  
7:36 a.m. Fire, Medical

Emergency Barre Paxton Road – Negative Contact

8:34 a.m. Motor Vehicle Accident Personal Injury East County Road – Transported to Hospital

9:50 a.m. Fire, Mutual Aid Ambulance Oakham – Transported to Hospital

11:28 a.m. Motor Vehicle Accident East County Road – Vehicle Towed

1:27 p.m. Fire, Medical Emergency Main Street – Transported to Hospital

10:21 p.m. Fire, Medical Emergency Main Street – Services Rendered

### Wednesday, Dec. 4

7:09 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Main Street – Citation Issued

7:52 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Main Street – Citation Issued

8:25 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Barre Paxton Road – Citation Issued

12:09 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Main Street – Criminal Complaint

Summons: Rafael M. Wantuil, 29, Wayland  
Registration Suspended, Operate Motor Vehicle With  
12:11 p.m. Fire, Smoke Investigation Edson Avenue – Investigated

### Thursday, Dec. 5

9:13 p.m. Fire, Medical Emergency Central Tree Road – Transported to Hospital

### Saturday, Dec. 7

1:24 p.m. Fraud Oakridge Drive – Investigated

3:37 p.m. Fire, Medical Emergency Barre Paxton Road – Referred to Other Agency

11:21 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Main Street – Citation Issued

11:30 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Pommogussett Road – Arrest(s) Made

Arrest: Alisha K. McKinnon, 27, Marlborough, NH

Drug, Possess Class A; Unlicensed Operation of Motor Vehicle; Lights Violation, Motor Vehicle

### Sunday, Dec. 8

8:47 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Cheryl Ann Drive – Criminal Complaint

Summons: Leigh A. Bianchi, 45, Paxton  
License Suspended, Operate Motor Vehicle With; Inspection/ Sticker, No

10:44 a.m. Fire, Medical Emergency Maple Avenue – Transported to Hospital

4:52 p.m. Fire, Appliance Main Street – Investigated

9:26 p.m. Threats Winifreds Way – Information Taken

9:53 p.m. Fire, Medical Emergency Jamie Ann Drive – Transported to Hospital

## The benefits of local newspapers

Local newspapers play vital roles in communities across the globe. The Information Age has changed the way many people get their news, but local newspapers continue to serve as valuable resources for readers interested in learning more about and becoming more involved in their communities.

While local publishers continue to adapt to the changes brought about by technology, the following are a handful of benefits unique to local newspapers.

• **Local newspapers keep readers up-to-date on their own communities.** Globalization may be here to stay, but that does not mean local communities are no longer home to newsworthy events. National and international newspapers and 24-hour cable news channels can keep men and women up-to-date on national and world news, but in many instances, local newspapers are the only means people have to learn about what's going on in their own communities. Local politics impact residents' lives every day, and local newspapers cover local politics extensively.

• **Local newspapers benefit nearby businesses.** Small business owners often connect with community members via local newspapers. A strong, locally based small business community can improve economies in myriad ways, creating jobs in the community and contributing tax dollars that can be used to strengthen local schools and infrastructure. And local newspapers do their part by providing affordable and effective advertising space to local business owners looking to connect with their communities.

• **Local newspapers can strengthen communities.** Local newspapers are great resources for residents who want to become more active in their communities and learn more about community events. Local newspapers often showcase community events like carnivals, local theater productions and projects like park cleanups. These are great ways for readers to become more active in their communities and build stronger communities as a result.

• **Local newspapers can benefit children.** National newspapers may have



little age-appropriate content to offer young children, but local newspapers tend to include more soft news items than national periodicals, and such stories typically are appropriate for young readers. According to Newspapers in Education, students who participated in an NIE group in Florida performed significantly better in spelling and vocabulary

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BBB offers tips to keep tax information secure

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So far in 2019, BBB has processed approximately 2,260 complaints against tax return preparation services and related businesses including accountants preparing tax returns. For those complaints, the median disputed amount for which consumers sought BBB's help was \$495.

Thus far in 2019, BBB received approximately 600 reports to BBB Scam Tracker from consumers regarding con artists claiming to be with the IRS. This comprised nearly two percent of all Scam Tracker reports received so far in 2019. This has dropped from 3,500 or seven percent of scams in 2017. These scams tend to rely on tactics such as intimidation such as threats of arrest, isolation to keep victims from talking to their family members about the supposed tax issue and/or pressure to act quickly. Tax collection scams often employ all three to bully their targets into compliance.

BBB has been cooperating with the IRS by providing the agency with phone numbers reported from consumers to BBB Scam Tracker. Any law enforcement agency can request additional information from Scam Tracker and we are always willing to work with them to help stop this fraud.

Here are some ways consumers and business owners can combat tax fraud.

Only deal with trustworthy tax preparation services. Check BBB.org for the latest Business Profile before you engage a company for the first time.

Protect personally identifiable information

(PII) such as birth date, Social Security numbers, bank accounts, etc.

Check out websites carefully and make sure they are accessing the real IRS website (irs.gov) when filing taxes electronically or inquiring for additional information.

If you get tax information delivered electronically from your employer or other entity, treat that information carefully. Download it onto a password-protected computer. Understand how tax scams work and be on guard for "red flags" such as calls before you've received any kind of letter from the Internal Revenue Service, Canadian Revenue Agency or other tax authority, demands for immediate payment, threats or intimidation or payment requests via wire transfer, prepaid debit card or gift card. People may check out this BBB Scam Tip for more information at BBB.org/TaxScams.

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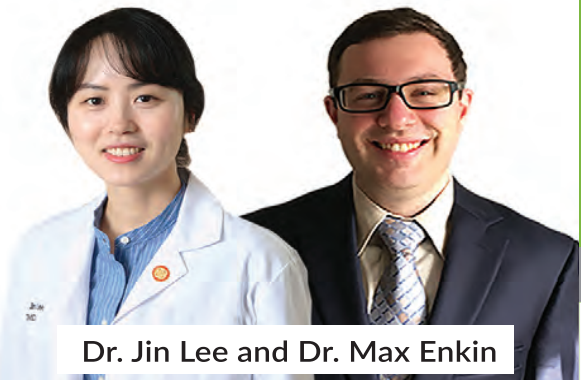
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